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During Elba City Council meeting

## Citizens of Mulberry Heights voice concerns

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

It was soon apparent at the Elba City Council meeting Monday evening that this was not to be "business as usual." A group of people who billed themselves as Concerned Citizens of Mulberry Heights filed into the room in ones and twos until there was over a dozen of them and they were officially on the agenda for the evening.

Timothy Williams was the official spokesperson for the group, but Eugene Brown and Willie Paul Caldwell also addressed the city council. Their complaints centered around police actions after responding to a complaint of a domestic dispute on October 18th between 7:30 and 8:00 p.m.

Williams was concerned that police wanted to arrest Mr. Caldwell when he (Williams) and other witnesses hadn't seen him do anything wrong. He said it appeared they were not asking any questions. He was also concerned that no one could tell him who called in the complaint.

Caldwell told council members his version of what happened that night and admitted to telling police officers he was not going to be arrested.

Brown complained that police would ride by white teenagers hanging around the bank parking lot and drive to Mulberry and tell those youth to get out of the streets. He also made reference to beer drinking.

Councilman Tom Hooks said complaints he has received tended to point a finger at one or two afternoon shift police officers as major offenders, without naming names.

Mayor James Grimes said the police chief would look into the matter. Later, at the request of Councilman Ronnie Hammond, the council voted to hold a work session next Monday evening (with the police chief) to discuss the actions of police officers.

Police Chief R. W. Whitworth announced to the council that due to recent complaints of speeding, officers will be working radar on Highland Drive.

He also reported that another police officer has been activated with the Alabama National Guard. This time it is not for a few weeks, but for duty in Iraq.

The department has made 16 drug arrests in October, according to the police chief.

H. H. (Junior) Culver was appointed to another term on the South Central Mental Health Board.

Grimes briefly reviewed the financial statement and suggested council members call or come by the office any time they have a question about the report. He noted that revenue was \$203,840.76 for the fiscal year just completed. Most of the increase was in sales tax, up by over \$125,000. Also showing a big jump was tobacco tax, privilege license, financial institution tax, SE Alabama Gas District and telephone franchise. Transferring cash from the Water and Electric Board was also up by \$35,241.

The income categories dropping included police fines, down by \$5,169; gasoline tax, down by \$27,890; ad valorem down by \$14,740; sewer tap, down by \$950; garbage fees down by \$7,488 and recreation down by \$190.

Annual expenses were also over budget. According to the mayor hurricane overtime in September and building the new Animal Control Building (to make room for Toledo Molding) both played a major roll in the budget spending overages.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham reported that Hurricane Ivan debris collection is officially over and the trash crews are back to picking up regular trash. He added that two trucks are still in use, due to the heavy work load.

Paving of the walking trail on top the levee is now completed. Sodding of the sides is underway, and lighting will be installed in the near future. The resurfacing project which repaired several city streets is complete, Grantham said. He added that work has begun on repaving Larkin Road, all the way from U. S. 84 at Bradley's Florist to where it rejoins U. S. 84. The Alabama Department of Transportation will limit traffic on the road to local traffic only during this time.

## Standard Time



Don't Forget to Turn Your Clocks Back One Hour Saturday Night!

## Coffee County Commission holds routine meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

For its final meeting of the current 4-year term, the Coffee County Commission held a very routine meeting Monday, Oct. 25.

Coffee County Revenue Commissioner Ronnie Burns addressed commissioners to explain his reasoning behind a job classification request for his department.

Burns said the state is making it a requirement to have personal property appraisal, and he said it would be more cost effective for the county to reclassify an already in-place employee as a designated appraisal trainee

rather than contract the work from an outside company.

In making his request Burns asked that the employee's starting base salary be the same as what the state pays its base employees.

"This employee will eventually be certified," Burns said. "She already has some classes under her belt."

Burns said the employee can hold the trainee position for only eight years before being required to be certified.

Commission chairman Robert Stephens offered a motion to create the position for the employee and adopt the salary requested by Burns based on the

Alabama Revenue Department's pay scale.

The motion passed by a 5-1 vote. Commissioner Doug Dairymple cast the opposing vote. Commissioner Berne Brooks was not present for the meeting.

While addressing commissioners, Burns also suggested that if grant money is not available this year, the county put off purchasing a Global Information System (GIS) for another year.

With Monday's meeting being her last as a commissioner, commissioner Jessie Lewis offered

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**MARTIAL ART CENTER OPENS...**The Elba Chamber of Commerce officially welcomed Elba's newest business Friday, Oct. 15, with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The ribbon cutting was held in conjunction with the grand opening of U.S. Yoshukai Dojo of Champions which is located on the square in downtown Elba. The center specializes martial art training such as karate or judo. Those present for the ribbon cutting included (from left): Kaye Whitworth - executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce, Junior Miss Elba Kendall Stinson, Herby McCall, Linda Williams, Jimmy Stoudimire, Sensei Abia Williams, Tiny Flowers, Future Little Miss Elba Madelyn Kelley, Marissa Williams, Elba Mayor James Grimes, Doris Matthews, Sensei Steve Pierce, Tonya Jones, Bishop Hiron Williams, T. J. Barlette, Miss Elba Lyndsay Lawford and Josh Wilson.



**TAKE OFFS AND LANDINGS** were popular at the Carl Folsom airport in Elba last Saturday, Oct. 23, as the EAA Chapter 351 and Wing Nuts Inc. sponsored an Elba Fly-In. Aviation enthusiasts were able to see many varying types of planes and ultralights. Everyone also had plenty of opportunities to watch the pilots land and take off. Above, several spectators watch as a pilot lifts his airplane off the runway to make a quick trip around Elba checking out the aerial view.

## Officers find drugs/pipe bombs while assisting DHR

While assisting Coffee County Department of Human Resources personnel on a welfare check concern last Wednesday, Oct. 21, deputies with the Coffee County Sheriff's Department and officers from the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Drug Task Force recovered approximately eight grams of methamphetamine and five pipe bombs.

Estimated value of the drugs was near \$1,000.

According to Coffee County Sheriff Ben Moates, officers arrested Timothy Allen Burleson, age 41, of 197 County Road 422, Opp, Ala. He was charged with possession of a controlled substance. He was later released on a \$3,000 bond.

Also arrested was a male juvenile. He was transported to the diversion center in Dothan.

During the search of the residence, Moates said officers found the illegal drugs and five pipe bombs. He said three of the bombs were made from PVC pipe, and two were made from galvanized pipe fittings.

"All five appeared to be capable of causing an explosion if detonated," Moates said.

The Explosive Ordinance Disposal Unit of the Dothan

Police Department responded to the scene and was able to safely remove and render the explosive devices harmless.

Moates said the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms was contacted and advised of the type of explosive devices found. He said any charges

## Search warrant executions lead to several drug arrests in Elba

The recent execution of search warrants by officers of the Elba Police Department and Twelfth Judicial Circuit Drug Task Force resulted in the arrest of several individuals for various drug charges.

According to Elba Police Chief R. W. Whitworth, seven people were arrested Monday evening, Oct. 25, after officers executed a search warrant at a mobile home on the 203 Bypass in Elba.

Kenneth Jerome Harris, age 41, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana II.

Melinda Faye Barbee, age 38, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana II.

related to the explosive devices will be presented to a federal grand jury.

All explosive evidence was released to ATF agents for submission to an ATF laboratory for

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juana II.

Debra Ann Bryant, age 32, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Tanya Lane Henley, age 51, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Arize Wynn Turner, age 27, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana II.

Marcus Devan Law, age 40, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana II and possession of drug paraphernalia.

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## Elba man dies from stab wound following altercation

An altercation outside an Enterprise lounge last weekend led to the death of an Elba man.

According to Capt. Mike Lolley, public information officer for the Enterprise Police Department, officers responded to the report of a fight outside the Office Lounge, located on the Geneva Highway, last

Saturday morning, Oct. 23, at approximately 1:45 a.m.

Upon arrival, he said officers were informed that Jason Charles Mitchell, age 25, of Elba had been stabbed during a fight with Jason Devon Slawson, age 24, also of Elba.

Lolley said Mitchell was transported by private vehicle

to the emergency room at Medical Center Enterprise before officers arrived on scene.

Mitchell later died as a result of the stab injury.

Although the investigation remains open, Capt. Lolley said no arrest has been made at this time. He said there is indication that the stabbing may have been self-defense.

Lolley said his department will continue to collect all information regarding this incident and will present it during the next Coffee County grand jury session. He said the jury will decide at that time if any charges will be filed.

## Area Happenings

**THE 2004 HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SEASON** continues Friday, Oct. 29, with the Elba Tigers traveling to Hartford to take on the Geneva County Bulldogs. Also, the New Brockton Gauchos will travel to Sumner, the Kinston Bulldogs will host Florio, the Zion Chapel Rebels will host McKenzie, and the Bramley Bulldogs will travel to Azusa.

**A HEALTHY HARVEST HEALTH FAIR AND BLOOD DRIVE** will be hosted by the Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home on Saturday, Oct. 30, from 8 a.m. until 12 Noon.

**THE ELBA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** will kick off the holiday season with "Pumpkins on the Square" Sunday, Oct. 30, from 5:30 - 7 p.m., on the square in downtown Elba. Hay rides and a moonwalk will also be a huge part of this fun-filled night.

**THE 2004 GENERAL ELECTION** will be held Tuesday, Nov. 2. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

**NEW BROCKTON'S "DON HELMS DAY"** which was scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 30, has been postponed until Saturday, Nov. 20. The town will hold its fall festival in conjunction with the dedication of the walking trail to Don Helms.

## NOTICE

Citizens of Elba are encouraged to visit the Elba Recreation Center on Claxton Avenue next Thursday, Nov. 4, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. to bid Godspeed to local National Guard members being deployed.

Select members of the Elba unit recently received activation orders. The guardsmen are awaiting deployment to Iraq.



## EDITORIAL

check and balances to keep reasonable folks reasonable and we support this amendment. The only negative we have heard is from someone in Montgomery where they already have these legal abilities. . . he apparently didn't want the competition. Vote YES.

**Amendment #2** is one with a lot of debate. As we noted last week our initial opinion is that the opposition is rooted in not wanting a change, or more pointedly still dreaming (and wanting) of the days of segregation. This bill is designed to remove some of the old requirements that schools have separate facilities for whites and blacks. The U.S. Supreme Court threw that out years ago, but the words are still in the law. It is an insult to many good Alabama citizens. After reading and rereading, we can find nothing "hidden" in the bill to allow for the huge tax increases as some opponents openly speak of. Also tax increases have to go before the legislature and those folks have to face us tax hating voters. They tend to under tax, rather than "stick it to us". Many people automatically vote against amendments, so these folks don't have any decision to make. We will vote YES, but if you are still concerned, just skip it.

**Amendment #3** does for a bunch of other counties what #1 does for Coffee County and the others grouped in Amendment #1. We recommend a YES vote, or just skip it.

**Amendment #4** lets shrimp and seafood fishermen tax themselves to promote their products. This is the same checkoffs as the peanut, soybean, cotton, hog, cattle, etc., farmers have had for years. We recommend a YES vote, or just skip it and let them run their own business.

**Amendment #5** allows the City of Trussville to annex some property and set the tax rates for this property. This is not our business. We don't have any right deciding for Trussville folks and we refuse to vote for this one.

**Amendment #6** deals with the pay of the Crenshaw County Probate Judge. Someone back, for reasons we don't fathom, the pay of the Probate Judge was tied to the pay of the District Judge. This bill will break those ties. Again this is not our business and we will not vote. If we lived in Crenshaw County our vote would be YES.

**Amendment #7** will allow Macon County to levy a tax on beer, whiskey and tobacco products. Now unless some of our readers buy a lot of beer at the dog track, we recommend staying out of that issue completely. Let the Macon County folks decide if they want to add this so called "sin tax".

**Amendment #8** is the last one. It will authorize the Alabama legislature to levy an excise tax in the place of the ad valorem tax on certain motor vehicles. We have no problem with this and will vote YES. A tax is a tax, so call it whatever you like - ad valorem or excise.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Oct. 18, 2004, investigated the following incidents: one for burglary, one for theft of property, two for criminal mischief, one for resisting arrest, one for domestic violence, one for harassment, three for possession of marijuana, one for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, two for private property wrecks, one dog bite, one for possession of a controlled substance, one for possession of drug paraphernalia, one for public intoxication and one accident.

The following arrests were made: one for resisting arrest, one for disorderly conduct, one for harassment, two for possession of marijuana, one for failure to appear, one for domestic violence, one for possession of drug paraphernalia, one for possession of a controlled substance and one for public intoxication.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: four for speeding, one for not wearing a seat belt.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows: **MONDAY, OCT. 18** - Wreck reported at the intersection of Hwy. 87 N. and Cedar Lane Dr. (6:08 a.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1309 Martin Luther King Dr. (10:54 a.m.).

**TUESDAY, OCT. 19** - Elba Fire Department dispatched to 1738 Martin Luther King Dr. (10:47 p.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1738 Martin Luther King Dr. (10:48 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 20** - River stage - 8.17 feet (5:56 a.m.). Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 21** - River stage - 7.97 feet (7:00 a.m.). Routine activity.

**FRIDAY, OCT. 22** - Wreck reported at the intersection of Simmon St. and Claxton Ave. (7:24 a.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to Mr. Henry's (11:30 p.m.).

**SATURDAY, OCT. 23** - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 384 N. Claxton Ave. (7:43 a.m.).

**AMENDMENTS**

**Amendment #1** allows a number of counties, including Coffee, and the municipalities within these counties to be more actively involved in industrial recruitment. The bill appears to have enough

## New Brockton Beta Club to honor American veterans

The Junior Beta Club of New Brockton High School invites the public to attend "honoring Our Veterans", A Veterans Day Celebration on Wednesday, November 10, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. in the New Brockton High School Auditorium. Guest Speaker will be Colonel Michael Powell, US Army Safety Center, Fort Rucker. For more information or directions, please call Milligan at 894-6363.

## BULLETIN BOARD

**ABUSING CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES THROUGH CHURCH AARMS**, addition recovery ministry meeting, Thurs. 7 p.m. 160 Baptist Church. Call 988-9970 or visit the website: [www.abusingsubstances.com](http://www.abusingsubstances.com)

**SOCIAL SECURITY R.P.P.** Court House, 4th Tues. 12:30-1:30. Call 894-8000-722-121

**ROTARY CLUB** - Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. 1st Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

**WATER CITY COUNCIL** - 2nd & 4th Monday, 7 p.m. Elba City Hall

**ELECTRIC** - Tuesday following 2nd Monday 6 p.m. City Hall

**ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN.** - Tues. 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** every Monday, 6:30 p.m. Elba United Methodist Church on side on W. Davis St. Maggie Carter-Glassman

**COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION** - 2nd & 4th Monday Community Room in Arm Center Complex @ New Brockton

**LIONS CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center

**AMERICAN LEGION** - 1st Thurs. 2:30 p.m. Supp. Office

**COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION** - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center

**ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD** - 1st Thurs. 2:30 p.m. Supp. Office

**COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION** - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center

**COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN** - 3rd Wed. Noon. Claxton Inn, Enterprise

**ELBA AIRPORT AUTHORITY** - 2nd Thurs. at noon. Dismal Harbor at the Airport

**AARP** meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month

**ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB** - 1st & 3rd Monday - 7 p.m. Elba High Boys Locker Room

**NEW SEASONS STUDY CLUB** - Every 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear EHS Class of '64,

Your recent donation of \$700.00 to Elba High School's library media center will benefit both students and staff. I maintain an on going "want file" of requests.

With proration and low budget years, this will allow me to expand and update many areas in our collection. We at Elba High School appreciate all donations, but those from alumni groups show that Elba High School instilled in you the desire to make the world better by helping others. I trust each of you enjoyed the Homecoming 2004 festivities.

Materials bought with your donation will be labeled as memorials for your deceased classmates. Jimmy Enzor, Jean Senn Davis, and Carolyn Drewery Moore.

Thanks again and please visit us.

Sincerely,  
Margaret Calhoun, LMS

Dear Ferrin:

When terrorists bombed the World Trade Center in 1993, Bill Clinton did nothing.

When terrorists bombed the U.S. Embassy in Kenya in 1998 and killed 12 Americans, Bill Clinton did nothing.

When terrorist bombed the U.S. Cole in 2000 and killed 17 sailors, Bill Clinton did nothing.

But, when terrorists destroyed the World Trade Center in 2001, and murdered over 3000 Americans, President Bush did what Bill Clinton never did.

He put the world on notice that if terrorists attacked the U.S. they would be hunted down and captured or destroyed.

He called Congress to authorize "use of force" in the war on terror. He sent troops to Afghanistan to root out Osama bin Laden and destroy the Taliban. He also sent troops to Iraq and captured Saddam

Hussein.

For defending our nation he has been attacked and smeared by some member of Congress, like Senator Kerry and Ted Kennedy and in the liberal media. I thank God your paper is not one of them.

Sincerely,  
Martha & Joe Guerrero  
Elba, Ala.

Dear Mr. Cox:

I always enjoy remaining in touch with my roots in Coffee County by reading each issue of The Elba Clipper. I was very disappointed, however, after I read your "Brainstorms" column in the Thursday, October 14, 2004, edition of the paper. Because of my great respect for you and because I believe it is important that people whom both of us serve, your subscribers and the citizens of Alabama, have correct information, I was compelled to write to you after I read your recitation of the facts in the Don Siegelman case and the advice you offered me.

I trust you understand that the investigation into allegations of misconduct by former Governor Siegelman, his chief of staff, and Dr. Phillip Bobo commenced before I became Attorney General. It was a joint, collaborative effort between state and federal officials as part of the North Alabama Joint Police Corruption Task Force in which both U.S. Attorney Al Martin and my office are partners.

That investigation was thorough and involved members of the prosecutorial and investigative staffs of the Offices of the U.S. Attorney and the Attorney General. These efforts culminated in a presentation of the allegations to the federal grand jury that returned indictments against these three individuals.

There were many strategic reasons that the decision was made to bring these charges in federal court, and my office was a full

partner in making those decisions. These grand jury indictments led to a trial that was to be conducted as a joint effort involving prosecutors from both the U.S. Attorney's office and my office.

Since you expressed a failure to understand what occurred in those proceedings, please let me explain. Chief Judge U.W. Clemon made series of rulings in which he held that the evidence the prosecutors believed relevant and admissible would not be allowed into evidence that the prosecutors no longer believed they could present the jury with sufficient evidence to prove the case. Thus, we acted ethically and responsibly by refusing to proceed with a prosecution that could no longer succeed. It is unfortunate that the evidence was never heard by the jury that had been seated to hear it and by the people of Alabama so that they could make their own informed decisions regarding this conduct and the guilt or innocence of the individuals who were indicted. I have described the scenario which happened as follows: if a case can be thought of as a jigsaw puzzle and the evidence as its pieces, what occurred in Tuscaloosa is that the judge systematically removed the most important pieces of the puzzle until the completion of the puzzle was made impossible. As a result, those charged with assembling the now defective puzzle were ethically bound and had no other choice than to drop what was left of the charges.

While it might be politically expedient to heed the advice you have offered and to refuse to undertake a difficult or, possibly, unpopular prosecution, the oath that I have taken demands far more of me. It requires that I faithfully and vigorously enforce the laws of Alabama and that I bring to account those whom the evidence indicates may have broken the law. This I have told the people of Alabama

I will do. This, I believe, you would have me do.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to set this record straight.

Sincerely,  
Troy King  
Attorney General

Dear Editor:

As a concerned mom and grandparent, I am urging citizens of Coffee County to take particular interest this year in the Juvenile Court Judge Election, Enterprise Division, On November 2 we as a community can affect real change by placing our votes to protect our children and grandchildren from unjust and apathetic treatment.

Often times America is accused of being a "fatherless nation with dead-beat and negligent dads at the root of the problem. But sometimes it is the court system that fails to distinguish stellar and exemplary fathers and lumps them with those that fall short as was the case explained below.

On August 16 our District Judge, Juvenile Division ordered a change of custody and took a child away from the father that has had custody of the child since April 2000 based solely on hearsay by the mother. The charges were investigated by the Enterprise Department of Human Resources and found to be untrue and unfounded prior to the judge's decision. In spite of this Juvenile Court System failed to further investigate this matter before taking action.

The Juvenile Court Judge overruled the higher Circuit Court's ruling of Child Custody that stated, "That legal care, custody and control of the child of the parties is vested in the child's father, and is divested of the child's mother."

The Juvenile Court Judge in his initial ruling stated that visitation should be worked out between the mother and father.

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## Obituaries

JASON CHARLES MITCHELL

Mr. Jason Charles Mitchell, age 25 of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, Oct. 23, 2004 at Medical Center Enterprise in Enterprise, Ala.

Funeral services were held Oct. 26, 2004 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Rinnie Evans officiating. Burial will follow in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Visitation will be at Hayes Funeral Home on Thursday from 10-11 a.m.

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Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Oct. 28, 2004, at 11 a.m. at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Mart Gray officiating. Burial will follow in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Visitation will be at Hayes Funeral Home on Thursday from 10-11 a.m.

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# CHURCH & AREA NEWS

## Fairview Baptist Church plans revival services for October 31- November 3

The Fairview Baptist Church is having revival services beginning Sun. October 31, and continuing through Wednesday, November 3.

Services on Sunday evening October 31 will begin at 6:00 p.m. Services Monday, Wednesday, November 1-3, will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The evangelist will be Rev. Ray Jones from Ridgecrest Baptist Church in Dothan.

Special music will be provided by Rev. Tim Willis also from Ridgecrest Baptist Church in Dothan.

We urged to come worship and receive a special blessing from these services. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Homecoming set at New Hope Baptist Church for October 31

New Hope Baptist Church will be celebrating Homecoming, Sunday, October 31, 2004. At 10 a.m. The activities include a Bluegrass gospel singing, featuring The Wilkerson Family of Troy, Ala. Sunday morning at 11 a.m. the worship service will be held and

## Faith Assembly of God to host Gospel Singing

The Faith Assembly of God Church will have a singing October 30th at 7 p.m. The guest singer will be Jesse Portians from Norman Park, Georgia and Spoken for from Montgomery, Ala. Also local singers will be singing.

## 97th annual meeting of Coffee County Baptist Association to be held October 30th

The 97th Annual Meeting of Coffee County Baptist Association will be October 30 at Park Avenue Baptist Church in Enterprise. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the meeting will begin at 9 a.m. Chaplain (Colonel) Alvin M. Moore, III, the Aviation Center Chaplain at the United States

## Chestnut Grove Methodist Church Cemetery to have name change

The Chestnut Grove Methodist Church will have a special meeting on Thursday, October 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the church. The church cemetery will be discussed. An association will be formed and changing the name will be necessary. The name will change to Chestnut Grove Community Cemetery. The church will deed

## WORSHIP IN THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY!

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| <b>IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIGHT OF MEN</b><br>Pastor: Don Grantham<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Prayer Meeting: Wed. 7:00 p.m. | <b>ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Sammie, Jr.<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m. | <b>ANDERSON BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Ray Jones<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m. | <b>BAIN BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Nathan Carroll<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m. | <b>BEHOLD AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Elise Phillips<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. | <b>BEHOLD AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Elise Phillips<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. | <b>BEHOLD AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Elise Phillips<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. | <b>BEHOLD AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Elise Phillips<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. | <b>BEHOLD AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Elise Phillips<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. | <b>BEHOLD AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Elise Phillips<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. |
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Nancy Tyson  
Lovie Hooks  
Lizzie Tyson  
The Caswell, Terry, Williams, Tyson, and Murry Families  
Cleaven Williams  
Eva Miller  
Evelyn Manning  
Helen Critten  
Rayfield Reynolds  
Mary Alice Blue  
Mary E. Holley  
Mattie Belcher  
Christopher Belcher

**\*\*\*OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**  
Roderick & Lavon Rideaux - October 25 (W.A.)  
Allie Gray Henderson - October 26 (In memory of)  
Willie Lee Cross - October 26 (In memory of)  
**REUNION AMONG OLE CLASSMATES**  
If you graduated in the year from 1974-1978 and attended the Warren Smith School 5 years before closing of school (1964-1969), please call Oneather Kelley Smedley at 334-894-6473. A reunion among the classmates is planned for October 30th, 2004 at 5 p.m. at Ryans Steakhouse in Enterprise. We are welcome even if you attended during earlier years.

## One Hundred Women in Hats to be held at Greater New Springfield Missionary Baptist Church

One Hundred Women in Hats will be held at Greater Springfield Missionary Baptist Church, New Brockton, Ala. The event will be held November 7, 2004 at 3 p.m.

## Free English class for non-native speakers

FREE classes in English as a Second Language for non-native speakers are offered at Enterprise-Ozark Community College's Enterprise Campus. Three separate sessions are

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## New Ebenezer Baptist Church to celebrate Homecoming November 7th

New Ebenezer Baptist Church to celebrate Homecoming November 7th. New Ebenezer Baptist Church, located at 3132 Highway 141 (Curtis Community), will have homecoming on November 7th.



**IN HONOR OF SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS WEEK**, the bus drivers for Zion Chapel School were honored with a breakfast Tuesday, Oct. 19. The drivers safely carry the children to and from school each day. They have to be disciplinarians, counselors, and expert drivers. When someone compared them to teachers, one driver said, "Teachers get to face their class, we have our backs to them!" Drivers pictured left to right include: James Carter, Margaret Johnson, Fairlan Mobley, Vivian Cole, Mary Mullen, Larry Green, Sue Hussey and Selena King (not pictured, Cindy Doni).

## Vanderbilt Holiness Church to hold Homecoming this Sunday, October 31

Vanderbilt Holiness Church will celebrate Homecoming this Sunday, October 31st. Sunday School will begin at 10:00 a.m. and Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be served following the morning service.

## "Come Home Reunion" planned at New Brockton High School for October 30th

All New Brockton High School students, graduates, teachers, and staff are invited to attend the "Come Home Reunion 2004" this Saturday morning, October 30th in the high school auditorium.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. Saturday with an informal reception for all at 10 a.m. There will be a brief program at 11 a.m. which will include recognition of classes.

A spaghetti luncheon will be available in the lunchroom at noon, courtesy of the New Brockton High School Band Boosters.

Come Home - to New Brockton High School this

## Church Directory

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| <b>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b><br>Pastor: Mary Seavey<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m. | <b>MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION</b><br>Pastor: Mary Seavey<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m. | <b>NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Jerry Long<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m. | <b>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b><br>Pastor: Lorell Flowers<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m. | <b>OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Nathaniel Fleming<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m. | <b>PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b><br>Pastor: Holly Bradley<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m. | <b>PRASE &amp; GLORY WORSHIP CENTER</b><br>Pastor: Betty Morris<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m. | <b>ROCKY HEAD M.E. CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: A. R. Williams<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m. | <b>ROBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Rev. Hubert McWaters<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m. | <b>SHADY GROVE A.M.E. CHURCH</b><br>Pastor: Rev. E. L. Flowers<br>Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br>Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.<br>Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.<br>Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m. |
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## LETTERS

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After this failed, the father petitioned for visitation through his lawyers and was denied his request. Further more, the Juvenile Court Judge postponed the hearing date he set for October 8 to November 5.

This District Judge rules over the juvenile courts for Coffee County and is to look out for the best interest of the child, but gave this child back to the mother after such a strong statement being ordered from the higher Circuit Court. Is this looking out for the best interest of our children? I think not, but I leave it up to you to decide for yourself.

**Lela Smith**

**Dear Editor:**  
I carefully read "Unfit for Command" twice. It's the swift boat veterans' indictment of John Kerry, and it's compelling. Kerry, who runs on his war record, refuses to sign from 180 which would fully explain how

he got the military awards most "swifties" say he didn't deserve. As to his three purple hearts, which he apparently put himself in for, three purple hearts entitles a soldier to go home. He was in Vietnam only four months.

Swifties say Kerry got the hearts quicker than any other swiftie, and that his "wounds" were mere nicks mistakenly self-inflicted, including a toothpick-sized shrapnel splinter from a grenade launcher he fired himself. None required more than band-aids. They want no part of him.

One told him, "John, if you get within a thousand yards of me, I'll show you what a real purple heart is all about."

Still today, Kerry's photograph hangs in place of honor in the Vietnamese Communist "War" museum in Ho Chi Minh City. His anti-war speeches were used to torture America

POW's.

Hollywood efforts to glorify Kerry hit theaters before the election. I trust the veterans over Hollywood weirdos like Whoopi Goldberg and pinko Michael Moore.

"Botox" John Kerry is the most liberal member of the U.S. Senate, his sidekick John Edwards (a trial lawyer, for God's sake) is tied for the second-most liberal voting record. If Kerry is the best the Democrats can do, God help them. If he is the best that America can do, God help us all.

Sincerely,  
Beth Wine  
Eldridge, AL

**EXPRESS YOUR VIEWS  
WRITE A  
LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

## Upcoming events sponsored by the Elba Chamber of Commerce:

**CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL PAGEANTS**  
The annual Christmas Festival pageants will be held Friday, Nov. 19, at 6 p.m. at the Elba High School auditorium. Attire will be Christmas dress. The pageant is not limited to Elba residents only.

Entry fee is \$10.00 and should be submitted with the bio sheet, which can be picked up at the Elba Chamber office or ElbaZion Chapel Elementary schools.

Practice will be held Thursday, Nov. 18, at 6 p.m.; this is not a mandatory practice. Those who plan to participate are asked to make sure the bio sheet and entry fee are turned in prior to the practice, in order to be assigned a number.

Divisions are as follows:  
Baby Miss - Birth to 1-2 months; Tiny Tot Miss - 1-2 years; Petite Miss - 3-4 years; Little Miss - K-2nd grade; Mini Miss - 3rd-4th grade; Junior Miss - 5th-6th grade.

Queens and runners-up are invited to ride in the Christmas parade on Saturday, Nov. 27, at 4:30 p.m. Line-up will begin behind the old high school at 4 p.m. Adults are asked to ride with children under the age of 4.

Also, the Elba Chamber requests that no one throw candy during the parade except Santa.

For more information contact Starla Amson at 897-8301 after 4 p.m.; no calls at work please, or the Chamber office at 897-3125.



**RED RIBBON WEEK...** This week Zion Chapel elementary students pledged to remain drug free and participated in the annual kick-off ceremony for Red Ribbon Week. The theme for the week is: I Believe in Me - I'm Drug Free. Among the many activities scheduled for the week are: Hugs Not Drugs Day where children wear PJ's and bring their favorite stuffed animal. The One On Against Drugs where children wear crazy neck ties, and the balloon launch to celebrate a drug free life style. Parents were encouraged to take time to talk to their children about the danger of drugs and the importance of living a healthy life style.

## Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home plans health fair for Saturday, Oct. 30th

A community health fair and blood drive, Healthy Harvest, is being sponsored by Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home on Saturday, October 30 from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. at the hospital grounds. There will be activities for all ages including free screenings for diabetes (high blood sugar), elevated cholesterol, osteoporosis, and hearing problems. Vision screening is being sponsored by the Elba Lion's Club. Blood pressure checks will also be available. Information will be provided on many topics including oral health, nutrition, health and fitness, home care, animal safety, disaster preparedness, breast and cervical cancer, the ALLKids health insurance program, and more. The American Red Cross has partnered with the hospital and nursing home to sponsor a blood drive. Blood supplies are critically low related to recent hurricane damage. Please bring a photo ID or a blood donor card if you plan to donate blood.

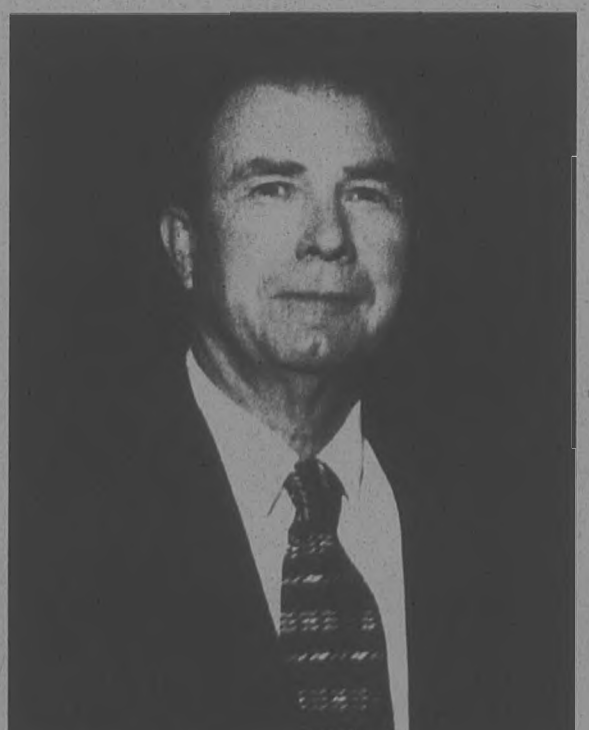
Activities for children will include a moonwalk, face painting, and balloons. Children will also have the opportunity to be fingerprinted by the Coffee County Sheriff's Department. The City of Elba Police Department will be available to perform child car seat inspections to ensure proper placement and installation in the car and to discuss seat belt safety. The Elba Fire Department and Coffee County EMS will be in attendance to talk with adults and children about their response to emergencies. Door prizes are being offered by several local merchants to be given away every hour during the fair and refreshments will be served. The administration and staff of Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home invite you to join them for this beneficial community event.

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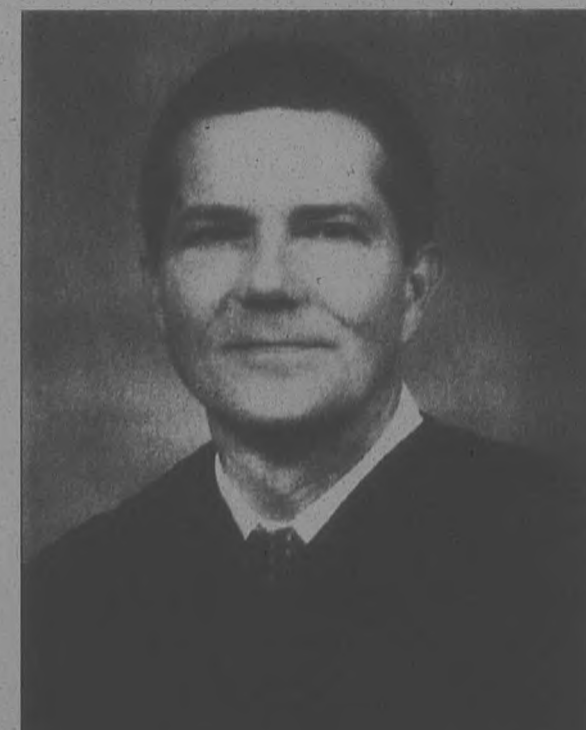
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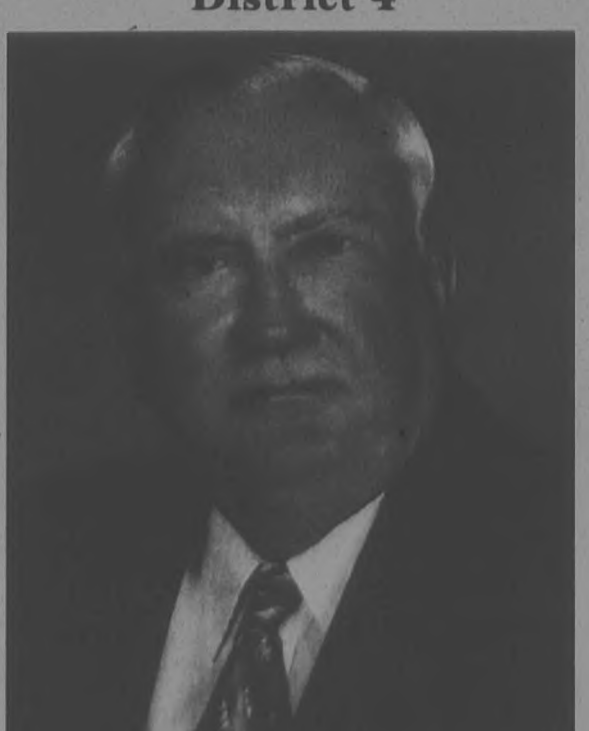
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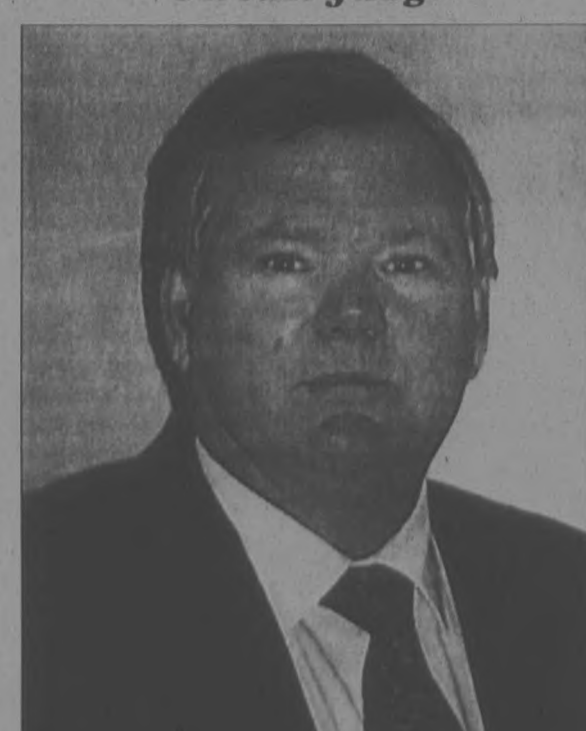
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# LIFESTYLES

## New books at the Elba Public Library

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Freehan, Christine - Dark Gold  
Roberts, Nora - Her Mother's  
Keeper  
Stewart, Moriah - Dead Wrong

**LARGE PRINT WESTERNS**  
Boggs, Johnny - Law of the  
Land: a Guns and Gavel Novel  
Cotton, Ralph W. - Gunman's  
Song  
Gorman, Ed - Branded  
Hogan, Ray - The Marshall of  
Babylon  
Johnstone, William W. - Power  
of the Mountain Man  
Olsen, T. V. - Blizzard Pass  
Paine, Loran - The Gunsight  
Affair  
Robbins, David - Nowhere, TX: a  
Ralph Compton Novel

**LARGE PRINT CHRISTIAN  
FICTION**

Copeland, Lori - Patience  
Heitzmann, Kristen - Halos  
Henderson, Dee - The Guardian  
Nunn, Mac - Hearts in Bloom  
Orcutt, Jane - The Hidden Heart  
Pearl, Jane - Yankee Bride  
Rebel Bride



**REGULAR PRINT CHRISTIAN  
FICTION**  
Lacy, Al - The Heart  
Remembers  
Lewis, Beverly - The Prodigal  
Morris, Gilbert - The Silent  
Heart

**REGULAR PRINT FICTION**  
Cameron, Stella - Now You See  
Him  
Gould, Judith - The Parisian  
Affair  
Greenhaw, Wayne - The Long  
Journey  
Greenhaw, Wayne - The  
Spider's Web  
Hooper, Kay - The Delaney  
Christmas Carol  
Kellerman, Jonathan & Fate -  
Double Homicide  
Macomber, Debbie - When  
Christmas Comes  
Parker, T. Jefferson - California  
Girls  
Perry, Anne - A Christmas  
Visitor  
Perry, Anne - Shoulder the Sky  
Rice, Luanne - Silver Bells  
Roberts, Nora - The Gift  
Truman, Margaret - Murder at  
Union Station  
Woods, Stuart - The Prince of  
Beverly Hills

**NONFICTION**  
Taste of Home Annual Recipes  
2005  
Herzog, Whitney - You're  
Missing a Great Game From  
Cassie to Ozzie, the Magic of  
Baseball and How to Get it  
Back  
Meyer, Joyce - Green River  
Running: the Real Story of the  
Green River Killer

**ABRIDGED BOOKS ON  
TAPE**  
Cornwell, Patricia - Trace  
Grimes, Martha - The Winds of  
Change  
Johansen, Iris - Blind Alley  
L'Amour, Louis - Bowdrie  
Rides a Coyote Trail  
L'Amour, Louis - Job for a  
Trail Ranger  
L'Amour, Louis - The  
Turkeyfeather Rider  
L'Amour, Louis - West of the  
Tularosas  
Sheldon, Sidney - Are You  
Afraid of the Dark  
Weiner, Jennifer - Little  
Zerkow

Dr. James Dunn of Opp  
is having a  
Reception Honoring  
His Former Patients  
and  
"Babies" He Delivered  
Sunday, November 7,  
2:00 - 4:00 P.M.  
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Associates are invited

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Coffee County DISTRICT JUDGE

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## Columbus teacher goes to the head of NASA's class

Carole Mashburn, a 4th and 5th grade teacher from St. Elmo School in Columbus, Georgia, prepared for fall classes by attending school at NASA. As part of the MY NASA DATA Teacher Workshop at NASA's Langley Research Center in Hampton, Virginia, Mrs. Mashburn spent the first two weeks of school learning about clouds and atmospheric science data. Mrs. Mashburn, who teaches gifted students, was one of 17 educators selected from 12 states and Puerto Rico that talked with scientists, participated in hands-on activities, and made plans to bring new knowledge back to school. Since her return, Mrs. Mashburn's students are involved in the CLERIS (Clouds and the Earth's Radiant Energy System) S'COOL (Students' Cloud Observations On-Line) and GLOBE Programs. They collect weather data and make cloud observations daily to coincide with the passing of the TERRA satellite. This data is sent to the scientist at NASA Langley Research Center.

The MY NASA DATA (Mentoring and inquiry using NASA Data on Atmospheric and Earth science for Teachers and Amateurs) project began this year at NASA Langley as an opportunity for educators to use real NASA data in their lesson plans. At Langley, scientists use many different instruments on board satellites to collect observations of clouds and other atmospheric properties. The Atmospheric Sciences Data Center at Langley Research Center stores these observations and creates access to the data. In order to help teachers, NASA is now making this data available using a NASA web site. During the workshop, Mrs. Mashburn was able to meet with and learn from scientists, computer programmers, and other educators. She toured NASA facilities and used NASA equipment while learning to integrate the data into her classes. Mrs. Mashburn is the daughter of Jim and Ann Nichols of Elba and began her teaching career in Elba thirty years ago. For more information on-line

about MY NASA DATA, visit the following web site: <http://mynasadata.larc.nasa.gov/>



Anna Anderson  
Anna Anderson to compete in Miss Troy Contest

Anna Marie Anderson of Elba will compete with 11 other contestants in the Miss Troy University pageant on Sunday, Oct. 31, at 2 p.m.

Anderson, a 2004 graduate of Elba High School and Miss Elba 2003-2004, is the daughter of Kim and Angie. She is a freshman majoring in early childhood education.

Anderson will be singing for the talent portion of the pageant. Miss Troy University, a Miss Alabama preliminary pageant, will be held in the Claudia Crosby Theater at 2 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the door. General admission is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Troy University students may purchase tickets for \$5 with a valid student identification card.

## The Salvation Army needs volunteers

The Salvation Army Service Center for Coffee County has issued a request for volunteers who will help in the "Red Kettle Program" during the approaching Christmas season. Volunteers are needed to "ring the bells" at certain locations to help the Salvation Army help those in need in surrounding local communities. Service to these families in need include food, clothing, and financial assistance, as well as Christmas for the children.

"To see the smiles of joy on the children's faces and bring much needed relief to parents is worth the effort, and because we do it in Jesus' name, it brings added blessings," said Stephanie DuBose, Service Center Director.

To make the "Red Kettle Program" a success, volunteers are needed to ring the bell between the dates of Nov. 19 and Dec. 24. Kettles will be set up on selected days during the holiday season at the Marketplace in Elba, and Wal-Mart, Food World, and Grocery Outlet in Enterprise.

Individuals, clubs, community organizations may ring for two-hour shifts, or a group may adopt a kettle for an entire day (10 a.m. - 6 p.m.). Large groups may adopt the kettle for several days.

For more information call 334/393-8244. "A big THANK-YOU to those who help and God bless you as you reach out to those in need during this special time," DuBose added.



Happy Halloween

## Coffee County Schools Menu November 1-5, 2004

### BREAKFAST

**Monday** - Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Tuesday** - Muffins, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Wednesday** - Pancake Pup, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Thursday** - Cinnamon Raisin Biscuit w/ Icing, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Friday** - Country Gray/Sausage Biscuit, Cereal, Juice, Milk

### LUNCH

**Monday** - Chicken Nuggets, Roast Beef, Cream Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Rolls, Fruit, Milk  
**Tuesday** - Beef Rib-B-Q Sandwich, Turkey Hoagie, Lettuce/Tomato/Pickle, Baked Beans, Tater Tots, Fruit, Milk  
**Wednesday** - Red Beans w/ Sausage, Chicken Stir Fry, English Peas, Stewed Squash, Rice, Crackers, Fruit, Milk  
**Thursday** - Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Cheese Pizza, Garden Salad, Steamed Carrots, Garlic Bread, Fruit, Milk  
**Friday** - Catfish Fillet, Hodge, Oven Fries, Cole Slaw, Hashbunnies, Fruit, Milk

# LIFESTYLES



Mr. & Mrs. Darrin Sloan

Belcher-Sloan wedding held July 30, in Mount Vernon, New York

Valerie Belcher and Darrin Sloan were united in marriage on July 30, 2004 at Bowen Memorial Church in Mount Vernon.

Rev. Hugh Farris officiated at the ceremony. The brides parents are: Mamie Belcher and the late Grover Belcher, Jr.

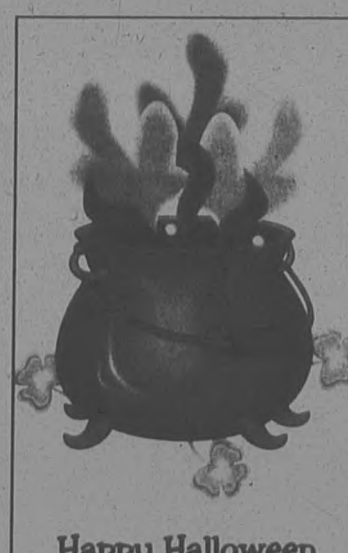
The groom's parents are: Dorothy Sloan and Charles Horton. Vocalist was Barbara Kelley Smith of Charlottesville, Virginia. (Formerly of Elba, Alabama)

The maid of honor was Andrea Duhane. Bridesmaids were: Crystal Crews, Pam Sloan, Melissa Irby Theresa Fulmore, LaToya Lowe and Laura Arauz. Flower girl was Diamond McDowell. Best man was Kenny Ramsey. Groomsmen were: Clarence Johnson, Joe Izzard, Bradley Belcher, (brother of the bride) Colin Flesch, Eric Watson and Darrell Belcher (brother of the bride), the ring bearer was Darrell Belcher Jr.

Following the wedding, a reception was held on the Yacht Klondike Princess in New Rochelle, New York. Individual Ticket Prices: Advance Purchase: Adult \$16, Student \$12. Day of performance: Adult \$18, Student \$14.

## Kinston Ruritan Club is sponsoring Barbecue

The Kinston Ruritan Club is sponsoring a Barbecue for the Kinston Recreation Department. Proceeds will benefit the new water park at the Heflin Smith Sports Complex, November 13, 2004. Pick up plate at the KHS Lunchroom from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. It is \$6 per plate. Your participation will be greatly appreciated. For more information contact the club reporter, D. Allene Hataway at (334) 565-3070.



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Mr. Chandler & Miss Scott

Scott-Chandler wedding planned for November 6th

The honor of your presence is requested at the marriage of Miss Bertha Toleta Jean Scott to Jimmy Glenn Chandler on Saturday, the sixth of November at 2:00 in the afternoon at The House of Prayer For All People, located at 225 Pennington Street in Brundidge, Alabama.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Reta and Lewis Barnes of Wetumpka, Alabama. The groom elect is the son of Doris and Greg Daye of Enterprise, and Jimmy and Teresa Chandler of Panama City, Florida. All friends and family are invited to attend.

For ticket information contact: David Deal (334) 406-1617.

Individual tickets for the Coffee County Arts Alliance performances may be purchased at the following locations: Enterprise at David's West Gate Beauty Salon (406-1617) and The Framery; in Elba at The Jewel Box and Bradley Florists & Gift; at Fort Rucker in the ITR Soldier Service Center; in New Brockton at New Brockton Florist & Gift Shop; and in Dothan at Northcutt's On Main.

Individual Ticket Prices: Advance Purchase: Adult \$16, Student \$12. Day of performance: Adult \$18, Student \$14.

## Opp Fest to be held Saturday, October 30th

The working members of the Opp Fest Committee of the Downtown Redevelopment Authority have completed plans for entertainment to be held at Danley Plaza on October 30th. Admission is free to the public and a variety of entertainment has been scheduled including art and heirloom sewing

exhibits, tastings of home cooked food, children's activities, food vendors, arts and craft exhibitors, antique car show, motorcycle show and awards and helicopter rides. The kick-off for all events will be at 9:30 a.m. with Mayor H. D. Edgar and other local dignitaries. Entertainment includes

The Double Nickel Band, the Dixie Cutups, Panhandle Express, a dulcimer group, local entertainment presented by Lave Tisdale and from 5 to 6:30 p.m., "Heatwave" from Atlanta, featuring 60s and 70s Rock and Country. Jason Cain will emcee all events.

## Denim & Pearls Celebration of Pat and Roland Powell's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Any marriage that can withstand times as tough as denim and as precious as pearls needs to be celebrated. Please join us for an evening of food and entertainment as we celebrate our parents' 50th wedding anniversary

When: Saturday, November 6, 2004

Time: 5 pm until 7 pm

Where: 901 Smith Ave, Elba

Attire: Denim & Pearls (for the women)

PS: Please no presents. Your presence is enough

## Elba City Board of Education Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenditure For Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2004

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| FUND BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 2003                       | 1,259,936.50        |
| <b>REVENUES:</b>                                   |                     |
| STATE SOURCES                                      | 4,289,185.55        |
| FEDERAL SOURCES                                    | 1,052,931.03        |
| LOCAL SOURCES                                      | 1,612,926.10        |
| OTHER SOURCES                                      | 16,055.21           |
| TOTAL REVENUES                                     | 6,971,097.89        |
| <b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:</b>                    |                     |
| FUND TRANSFERS IN                                  | 231,216.77          |
| OTHER SOURCES                                      | 79,137.90           |
| TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES                      | 310,354.67          |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b> | <b>7,281,452.56</b> |
| <b>EXPENDITURES:</b>                               |                     |
| INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES                             | 3,941,848.90        |
| INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES                     | 1,019,090.44        |
| OPERATION & MAINTENANCE                            | 524,500.26          |
| AUXILIARY SERVICES                                 | 834,131.64          |
| GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES                    | 396,333.24          |
| CAPITAL OUTLAY                                     | .00                 |
| DEBT SERVICES                                      | .00                 |
| PRINCIPAL  | .00                 |
| INTEREST   | .00                 |
| OTHER DEBT SERVICES                                | .00                 |
| OTHER EXPENDITURES                                 | 97,688.32           |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>                          | <b>6,813,592.80</b> |
| <b>OTHER FUND USES:</b>                            |                     |
| FUND TRANSFERS OUT                                 | 231,216.77          |
| OTHER USES   | .00                 |
| <b>TOTAL OTHER FUND USES</b>                       | <b>231,216.77</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FUND USES</b>    | <b>7,044,809.57</b> |
| <b>ENDING FUND BALANCE - SEPTEMBER 30, 2004</b>    | <b>1,496,579.49</b> |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

*Danny W. Weeks* SUPERINTENDENT, ELBA CITY SCHOOLS

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME ON THE 25<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2004.

*Gloria A. Moseley* NOTARY PUBLIC



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**Lee J. Holts, Attorney 1-800-980-5655**

Lee Holts practices only in MO, IA, MN & NE, but associates with attorneys throughout the U.S.

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# SCHOOLS



**Editors:**  
Casey Medlock &  
Kayla Kelley

## Expressing your right to vote

Editorial by Ashley Gibson

Most people love to complain about what our government does, what politicians say, and especially the price of gas. However, if you ask those same people if they voted, a very large percent of them would say no.

What many people do not understand is how important their vote actually is. It is crucial to know what each candidate represents as well as their personal beliefs. You can make a difference by obtaining all the information possible and deciding what your choice will be.

I, at 18 years old, have already decided to make voting a part of my life. I have realized that I can make a difference in my life as well as someone else's.

Noticing your opinion and letting others know how important it is to vote is a job not to be taken lightly. I have watched every presidential debate and am waiting with anticipation for

Election Day.

I have chosen a candidate who I believe has very similar beliefs as I do and whom I also think would serve me better as president.

There are so many issues that each candidate has extremely different views about. Education, war, taxes, immigration, Medicare, and Medicaid are just a few of the numerous topics the candidates debate on.

It is up to you to decide how much influence you want to have in your life. Voting is a definite way to get your voice heard.

So, if you are one of those "complainers," stop and think about what you have read. Is it fair to criticize our government when you did not even vote against them? I do not think so.

I am voting. After that, if my candidate loses, I can still say I had a part in making the decision.

Where will you be November 2nd?

## Kevin Kelley joins EHS faculty

by Kristi Spinks

This week we recognize one of the many new faces at Elba High. His name is Kevin Kelley. He is the husband of Toni Kelley and has four children: Zack (14), Harris (13), Emma Grace (3), and Will (1).

Another interesting fact about Mr. Kelley is that he is a former owner of Kelley Foods of Alabama and has been a pastor/student pastor for the past 10 years.

Mr. Kelley graduated from Elba High School and went on to get his B.S. and M.A. at Liberty University. Now he is back at EHS working as a special education aide.

Mr. Kelley says the thing he enjoys most about working in

the Elba City School System is the students.

"I love being around students," he said. "I graduated from EHS - this is home and always will be home."

We appreciate the good job Mr. Kelley is doing!

Kevin Kelley

## Marching Tiger Band delivers awesome performance at competition

by Casey Medlock

On Saturday, Oct. 16, the Elba High School Marching Tiger Band embarked on one of its biggest performances of the year. The band attended the Little Big Horn band competition in Opp, Ala., where it competed with many other bands from the surrounding area.

This band contest is one of the largest competitions in the area, as this was the 25th annual Little Big Horn contest.



Display of awards won by the band

## Basketball season begins for seventh and eighth grade boys

by Duke Carr

It is October and basketball season is underway with the seventh and eighth grade boys starting the season off with a bang.

The eighth grade is returning from their spectacular season last year with only two losses. "I am very excited about this year's basketball season," stated Coach Brian Weeks. "Both teams are filled with a lot of talent, and I am looking forward to teaching these young men some basketball skills and team unity."

The eighth grade will be looking to continue to dominate their opponents with most of their team returning from last year and teach the young seventh graders the aspects of playing under the Elba spotlight.

School attendance policy delivers good results regarding absences

by Timothy Jackson

As of Tuesday, Oct. 19, the first of four nine weeks came to an end for EHS students.

At the beginning of the school year, numerous subjects had been addressed by Principal Johnny Dunn, such as lowering absences, fewer tardies and raising overall grade averages.

## EHS Student Spotlight

by Rebecca English

This week's student spotlight is none other than the charming Clint Bradshaw.

Clint is the 15-year-old son of Don and Freda Bradshaw. As a sophomore, Clint is involved in Future Farmers of America (FFA) and he shows his tiger spirit by playing football and baseball.

Clint spends his free time hunting, 4-wheeler riding, or playing football.

His friends describe him as a good fellow, he's honest and well rounded. That's why this week's spotlight shines on Clint Bradshaw.

## Fall Festival set for tonight at EES

Elba Elementary School will hold its annual Fall Festival Thursday, Oct. 28 (tonight), from 6-8 p.m.

There will be lots of games and entertainment for everyone! Come support EES and have a little fun!

With butterflies in their stomachs, all band members stepped onto the field, prepared to do their best. The EHS Marching Tiger Band dazzled the crowd with their numerous features, and surprised everyone with a blast of confetti during the finale.

When the show came to an end, all members agreed that they had just performed their best show of the year.

When it came time to receive the scores, the stadium became silent. When the announcer stated that every aspect of the Elba band had received a 1 (the most superior rating a band can get), a deafening roar echoed throughout the stadium.

The band members' hard work, which started in July, had finally paid off. However, the band did not only receive superior ratings at this competition. The EHS band swept all awards away from any other band in Class



Drum majors Gale Olson (right) and Brianna Bailey (left) won the Mallory Award at the Little Big Horn marching band contest

3A competition, with exception of the 2nd and 3rd place awards. Among the awards were: Best in Class 3A Drum Majors, Best in Class 3A Majorettes, Best in Class 3A Color guard, Best in Class 3A Percussion, and Best in Class 3A Band.

To top it all off, at the end of the night, drum majors Gale Olson and Brianna Bailey received the Mallory Award, which is the highest award given at the Little Big Horn competition. It is given to the drum major or drum majors who have

the overall highest score among all the bands who performed at the contest.

The Elba High School Marching Tiger Band was very successful at this competition. The students returned home with five trophies and six plaques, which is the most awards the marching band has won at any competition within many years. Most of all, however, all band members returned to Elba with an immense sense of accomplishment, proving that hard work really does pay off.

## Co-Op Spotlight

by Gale Olson



This week's Co-Op Spotlight belongs to Lance Sulley. Lance, a senior at Elba High School, is the 17-year-old son of Larry Sulley and Lisa Nelson.

Lance is employed at Kevin Hays Concrete, where he has worked for three months. Lance does several things at work, such as pouring concrete, construction work and helping build houses.

Lance is an active member in VICA where he serves as treasurer, and he plays baseball for the varsity team.

After graduation, Lance plans to join the Air Force to become a pilot. Lance describes himself as determined and hard working. Congratulations, Lance!

## Attention football fans:

Elba High Journalism staff raffles SEC Championship tickets

by Stephanie Corder

The Elba High School Journalism Staff has been given the chance to raffle off SEC championship tickets.

Greg and Lynn Corder have kindly donated four SEC tickets to the band and journalism staff.

The journalism staff will hold the raffle for the next two weeks. Each raffle ticket is on sale for \$10 for a chance at two tickets. If you are interested please contact a journalism member at 897-2266.

## Notice:

Elba High School invites any veterans who reside in Elba or have attended Elba High School to join in the annual Veterans' Day Program. The program will be held Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 10 a.m. in the high school auditorium.

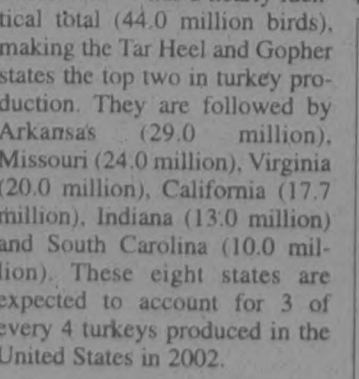
Those wanting to join in the recognition of America's heroes, should call Elba High School by Monday, Nov. 1, to announce their attendance.

Clint Bradshaw

## Did You Know?...

by Gale Olson

44.5 million The number of turkeys North Carolina expects to raise in 2002. Another state — Minnesota — has a nearly identical total (44.0 million birds), making the Tar Heel and Gopher states the top two in turkey production. They are followed by Arkansas (29.0 million), Missouri (24.0 million), Virginia (20.0 million), California (17.7 million), Indiana (13.0 million) and South Carolina (10.0 million). These eight states are expected to account for 3 of every 4 turkeys produced in the United States in 2002.



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PICTURE OF THE WEEK (by Duke Carr)... "It takes two!"

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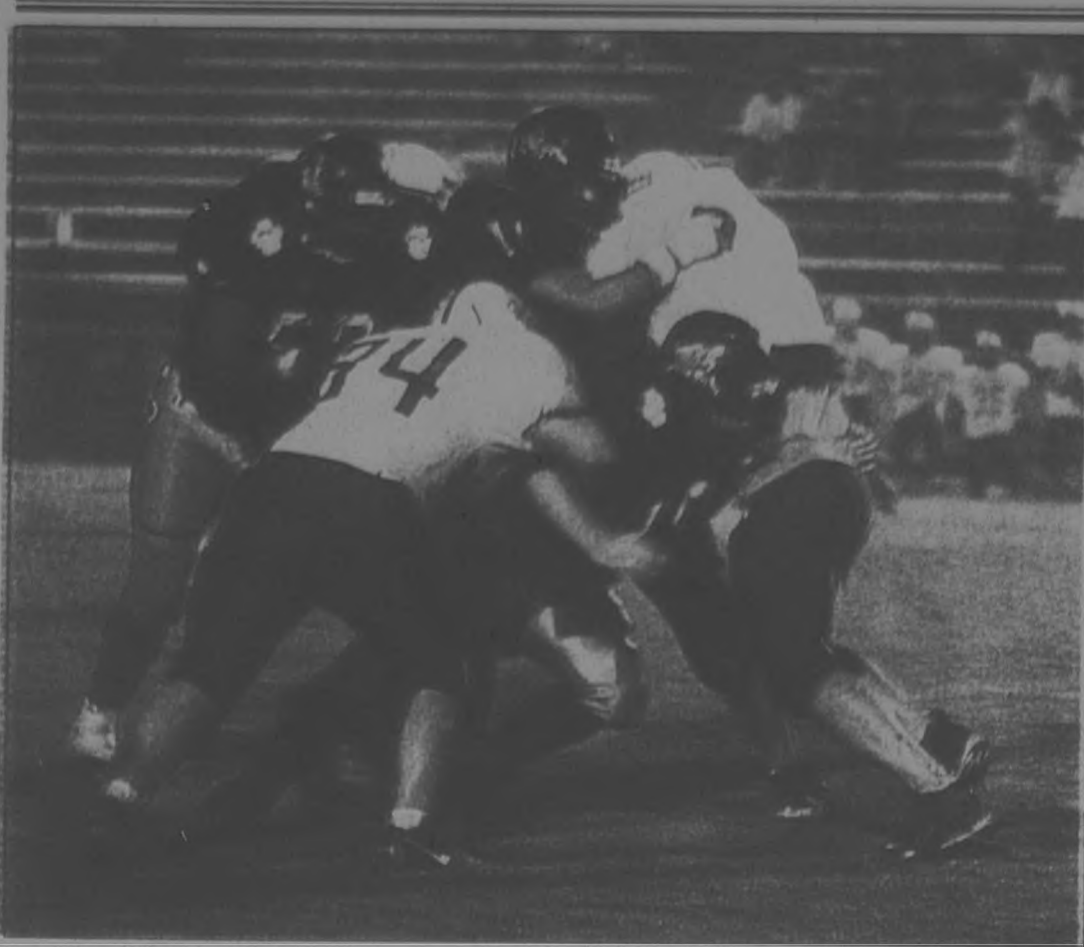
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## SPORTS



**ELBA TIGER DEFENSE....** took command in the second half last week to lead the way in Elba's 39-19 win over Samson. Pictured above making a stop at the line of scrimmage are **Ryan McCollough (79)**, **Carlos Aruz (11)** and **Jessie Thigpen (59)**. The Tigers will meet Geneva County this week needing a win to make the 2A playoffs.



**Elba Mayor James Grimes** reads a resolution honoring **Coach Mack Wood** Friday night during pregame ceremonies at the dedication of the field at Elba's Tiger Stadium as "Mack Wood Field." Coach Wood, the winningest coach ever at Elba High, received a standing ovation from the large crowd and his former players upon the unveiling of the sign located on the scoreboard.

Post first win on "Mack Wood Field"

## Tigers slam Samson 39-19 to keep playoff hopes alive



**Elba Tiger cheerleader Anna Harrison** had plenty to cheer about Friday night as the Tigers rolled to a big 39-19 win over the Samson Tigers in a must win region battle at Elba's Tiger Stadium.

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor  
Photos by Mike Capps

The Elba Tigers continued their march toward the playoffs Friday night as they scored three third quarter touchdowns to blow open a close game and coasted in with a solid 39-19 win over the Samson Tigers, in Elba.

The win was the third straight for the Tigers and improved their record to 3-5, 3-3 in region play, while Samson slipped to 2-6 with the loss, 0-6 in region competition.

Samson got an early break in the region match-up on a fumble recovery at the Elba 41-yardline, and quickly moved the chains as a 14-yard gain by Justin Tisdale gave Samson a new set of downs at the Elba 26. The next three running plays failed to gain a yard, however, and the early scoring trend went by the board when on fourth down Elba's Chase Boutwell sacked Tisdale for a 12-yard loss.

The Tigers put the ball in play at their 43-yardline following the defensive stand and needed only five plays to cover the 57 yards to paydirt. Kikko Logan gained 51 yards on two carries to spark the scoring drive, while Ryan Gibbs scored the touchdown on a 1-yard plunge. The extra-point try was blocked and with 4:48 remaining in the first quarter Elba was on top 6-0.

Samson regained possession on the very next snap after an apparent incomplete pass was ruled a fumble, and six plays later Samson was right back in the endzone. Dustin Wise gained 23 yards on four carries to spark the scoring drive, while Justin Tisdale scored the touchdown on a 2-yard sneak. A two-point pass failed to reach the endzone, but with 4:41 remaining in the half Samson was back in the game and trailed only 14-13.

Elba threatened in the closing seconds of the half and moved to a first down at the Samson 16-yardline with 18 seconds left on the clock after a 15-yard pass from Brandon Kelley to Kikko Logan and a 26-yard pass from Kelley to LaRay Williams. Kelley was forced to scramble on the next play and was stopped for no gain, and there was little to do but watch the final seconds tick off the clock as Elba went in at the half with a slim 14-13 lead.

The Tigers received the second half kickoff and needed only three plays to add to their lead. The scoring drive covered 60-yards and was climaxed when Brandon Kelley scooped up a low snap and lofted a pass to LaRay Williams in the flats. Williams dodged a would be defender to reach the sidelines and then raced 40 yards for a touchdown. The extra-point was again blocked, but with 10:37 remaining in the third quarter Elba's lead was up to 20-13.

Elba began a drive at the Samson 48-yardline midway through the stanza after a pass interception by Stefaun Burks and needed only two plays to get back into the endzone. LaRay Williams appeared to score on the first play of the possession when he broke loose on

Elba began its next offensive series at its own 40-yardline following a Samson punt and this time marched 60 yards in six plays to add to its lead. A 21-yard pass from Brandon Kelley to LaRay Williams got the scoring drive off to a fast start, while Kelley also connected with Reymar Rodgers for a 12-yard gain that set the Tigers up with a first down and goal at the Samson 9-yardline. Kikko Logan scored the touchdown one play later on a 10-yard run and Logan also ran in the two-point conversion as the Tigers extended their lead to 14-0 with 10:02 remaining in the second quarter.

Samson began a drive at the Elba 47-yardline midway through the quarter and with the aid of 23 yards in penalties against Elba covered the yardage in six plays to cut into the Elba lead. Dustin Wise scored the touchdown on a 3-yard run and the extra-point bounced off a Elba defender and went through the goal post as Samson pulled within 14-7 with 3:01 still left in the half.

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**Elba's LaRay Williams** pulls in a pass, one of 4 he caught last week for 86 yards and one touchdown in Elba's 39-19 win over Samson.

a 48-yard run on a reverse, but a penalty nullified the touchdown and moved the Tigers back to the Samson 27. Kikko Logan scored on the next play on a 27-yard run through the middle of the Samson defense, and even though a two-point pass failed to find its target Elba was now on top 26-13 with 4:19 left in the third quarter.

Samson returned to the air on its next possession in an attempt to cut into the Elba lead, but once again found an obstacle in its way wearing a black jersey as Stefaun Burks picked off his second pass of the quarter and returned the interception 42 yards for a Tiger touchdown. The extra-point try was blocked, but with 2:44 still left in the third quarter the Tigers had taken command by opening up a 32-13 advantage!

Elba began its next possession at the Samson 43-yardline after a failed fourth down gamble and this time needed six plays to score its final points of the night. A 13-yard pass from Brandon Kelley to Mason Guiley and an 11-yard run by Kikko Logan sparked the scoring drive, while the touchdown came on a 15-yard pass from Kelley to Guiley. Evan Tew booted the extra-point with 7:18 left in the game Elba had the win in the bag with a 39-13 lead.

Samson put the ball in play at its own 21-yardline with 7:18 remaining on the clock and marched 79 yards in 15 plays against the Elba defensive

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| 14         | 1st Downs      | 13    |
| 22-177     | Rushes-Yds.    | 44-90 |
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| 9-77       | Penalties-Yds. | 6-35  |

## Views From.... THE PRESSBOX By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Back when I was growing up my Mom insisted breakfast was the most important meal of the day and when we came into the kitchen in the morning the table was always filled with nice warm food to help us get started. Now at the Mularz house we still like to eat breakfast, but almost always eat it on the go, and the only eggs or meat we get comes inside a biscuit. We all love biscuits and don't complain about our first meal of the day and I guess we aren't the only ones that eat it on the run since at least one fast food place sells a bowl filled with a biscuit, grits, eggs, sausage and gravy. I guess if you don't have time to eat everything separately you can just have it all mixed up and swallow it as you go.

### ELBA CONTINUES REGION WINNING STREAK

The Elba Tigers ran their region winning streak to three straight games last week with a 39-19 win over Samson and after an 0-5 start are now just one win away from locking down a berth in the state high school football playoffs. The Tigers have had their backs to the wall for the last three weeks and have known that a loss would end any post-season hopes, but have won all three games and now know for a fact that if they win this week they will make the playoffs and travel in the opening round. None of the wins have come easy and this week's game against Geneva County could be the toughest yet. However, this bunch has met all challenges head on and has made it clear that the Elba Tigers are back and are hungry for even more wins.

The Elba offense had a big night in the win over Samson and rolled up over 320 yards in total offense and scored five touchdowns, despite the fact the Tigers used three different quarterbacks and had a total of ten different players run the football. The offense did make a mistake that led to a Samson score late in the half, but of its five scoring drives two lasted six plays, two lasted three plays and one was a one play drive. Kikko Logan had another big night with 117 yards rushing and two touchdowns, while Brandon Kelley gained 30 yards on just five carries and had a big night passing as he hit on 13 of 16 passes for 147 yards and two scores. The Elba offense used its speed to pressure the Samson defense all over the field and had one of its best overall nights of the season.

The Elba defense allowed two touchdowns in the first half and surrendered a late score after the outcome had already been decided, but played one of its best games as it limited Samson to a total of 156 yards in total offense, with 79 yards coming on its last drive against the Elba reserves. Until Samson's final possession of the game, the Elba defense had taken charge in the second half and on five possessions had held the Samson offense to minus five yards in total offense! Elba had three quarterback sacks for a total of 43 yards in losses and came up with two pass interceptions, one of which was returned for a touchdown by Stefaun Burks. Yep, the Elba defense came to play Friday night and gave all Elba fans hopes that it has arrived.

### AREA TEAMS ENJOY ANOTHER WINNING WEEK

The high school football season put its eighth week of the season in the books last week and it was another good week for the area teams as three of the four teams posted wins. Here is a quick look back....

\*\*\* **NEW BROCKTON (5-3)** - The Gamecocks put an end to two weeks of frustration by blasting Geneva County 34-14, and this week a lot of New Brockton fans will be listening to the Elba game on the radio while watching the Gamecocks play since the Gamecocks need a win and an Elba loss to make the playoffs. The big win on the road showed once again how dedicated the Gamecock players and coaches are to the program, and there can be no doubt this year's team should have a special place in the New Brockton history book.

\*\*\* **ZION CHAPEL (3-5)** - The Rebels celebrated homecoming and gave everyone on the Zion Chapel side of the field a reason to dance as they clobbered Kinston 46-14. The Rebels have been winning big in recent weeks since making the decision to run the football and could very well be a team to watch as the playoffs get underway. The Rebels will be underdogs no matter who they play, but these guys are now confident they can win and may not be an easy first round opponent.

\*\*\* **BRANTLEY (8-0)** - The Bulldogs had three running backs gain over 100 yards in a 46-0 white-wash of McKenzie and after eight games the "Dogs" have barely been tested. Brantley was expected to be good this season, but not even Coach Lowery and his staff thought the team would jell so quickly and with two weeks left in the season be staring another perfect season square in the eye. Don't look now, but the Brantley Bulldogs are once again a definite threat to win it all.

\*\*\* **KINSTON (1-7)** - The Bulldogs have to be looking for the final game of the season after last week's 46-14 regional rival Zion Chapel. The "Dogs" were competitive early in the season every time they hit the field and should have won a few more games, but have now been blown out in their last two games and it looks like the fire has been extinguished on the Kinston sidelines.

### WEEK #8 FILLED WITH EXCITEMENT FOR PREP FANS

The eighth week of the high school football season was yet another big week of action all across the state and helped clear up some of the mystery about the upcoming playoffs. Here is a look back....

\*\*\* Enterprise moved back atop the region standings with an easy 34-14 win over Smiths Station and now can claim the title with a win this week at Phenix City. The Wildcats had been written off as over-rated after losing back-to-back to Auburn and Rutherford, but have bounced back strong and now appear to be a legitimate contender. What a difference a few weeks can make.

\*\*\* Straughn scored late on a pass interception to ease past Pike County 18-15 and all of a sudden the Tigers appear to be a 3A contender after upping its record to 7-1. Straughn's only loss came at the hands of TR. Miller way back in the second week of the season, and it looks like someone forgot to tell the Tigers this was their year to struggle. One thing history has proven is that Straughn never gives up until the final horn sounds.

\*\*\* Geneva upped its record to 7-1 with a lopsided 31-3 win over Daleville and it looks like the Panthers may indeed be a team to keep an eye on in the 4A ranks. The Panthers' only loss was to top-ranked Trinity in a game Geneva dominated everywhere but the scoreboard, and with two weeks left on the regular season it looks like the Panthers may be the surprise team in the state among 4A circles.

\*\*\* Unbeaten Arton tuned up for this week's showdown against undefeated Brantley by barely slipping past Pleasant Home 8-0. The Purple Cats have been one of the surprise teams in South Alabama all season under Coach Julius Head and have already clinched a home field advantage in the playoffs, but after last week's close call many now think the "Cats" may be pretenders and not contenders.

\*\*\* Houston Academy tuned up for this week's region tie clash against Cottonwood by whipping Hamilton County 28-7 and the Raiders are now without a doubt one of the teams to keep an eye on in the 2A ranks. The Raiders added a player that transferred from a

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high school in Colorado a few weeks back, and since his arrival have been almost unstoppable. The youthful Raiders may not be state title contenders, but they are a team that many teams will not want to play early in the playoffs.

\*\*\* Northview lost its 39th straight football game in a 27-6 loss to Dothan High and with Stanhope Elmore and Opelika left on the schedule appear headed for yet another winless season. It is hard to believe a 6A school can lose 39 straight games, but the Cougars well went dry a few years back and the drought just won't end. One day the streak will be snapped and there will be a celebration outside the circle in Dothan, but it won't come easy after four years of losing.

\*\*\* And, Highland Home upset G.W. Long 21-15 to keep its playoff hopes alive, while the Rebels slipped to 5-3 overall and all of the sudden look very average. Early on the boys from over in Skipperville looked like a contender in the 2 ranks, but now the Rebels look like they may be ready to roll out the roundball.

### FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

\*\*\* The Elba Tiger volleyball team competed in the Class 2A, Region Tournament last weekend in Daphne and claimed one win in three matches to finish the season with a 16-12 record. The Tigers had won the area tournament earlier in the week and were thought to have a shot at advancing on to the state tournament, but after leaving Elba at 5:30 A.M. Saturday morning to make their 10:00 game just never seemed to get their legs under them and managed only one win. Despite the disappointing finish the Tigers did have a great season and should have even better days ahead since the JV team has posted records of 11-2 and 13-5 over the past two seasons.

\*\*\* The "Curse of the Bambino" may be only a memory this time next week if the Boston Red Sox can keep their bats booming and outscore the St. Louis Cardinals in the World Series. The Boston faithful grew accustomed to losing over the years and always seemed to wait for something bad to happen, but this year the Sox have made the big dance and may just capture the title it had wanted for so long.

\*\*\* If anyone knows someone that sells knee braces at a good price they should send them to Tuscaloosa. The Crimson Tide lost its third offensive starter of the season to a knee injury last week when Tim Castille went down with an ACL tear and after the loss last week to Tennessee many Tide fans have now simply through their hands up in disbelief. Bama was already short-handed because of years of probation and now the injury bug may have finished the Tide off.

\*\*\* The Youth Football League's "Super Bowl" will be held this week up in Luverne and once again this year Elba will have at least two teams in the annual post-season affair. The Midget Tigers posted a 3-1 division slate to earn a spot in the contest, while the Termite Tigers went 4-0 in the division and won the regular season title. The Pee Wee Tigers will be in a playoff this week and also have a chance to make the field, which would put all three teams in the event. It was a great year for the Elba teams and it ain't over yet!

\*\*\* Troy almost pulled off its biggest win ever Saturday night before falling to LSU 24-20 and it is now easy to see that the Trojans play up to the level of their competition. It is hard to get ready to play a team like Arkansas State after a big game, and until the Trojans can work out a better schedule it looks like they will always suffer upsets along the way. Maybe being in a conference will help, but it will never be easy to get up for a conference foe after playing one of the nation's best.

\*\*\* In closing... Troy's loss was definitely Alabama's gain last week when Johnny Williams resigned his position as Athletic Director to take an assistant A.D. job at Tuscaloosa. Williams had led the Troy program to a new level over the years and helped turn the Trojans into a nationwide name among all college sports fans in football, baseball, basketball and softball. He will be missed, but there is no doubt the next man that takes the job will get a chance to add his own touch to the up and coming university's rich athletic history.

### POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR PICKS PREPS

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator dropped by the office late Sunday afternoon to leave this week's high school football predictions and said it was hard to believe Zion Chapel had already clinched a playoff berth and that Elba could earn a spot with a win this week. He

have averaged over 21 points a game on offense, but have allowed over 32 points a game on defense, which has led to their late-season struggles. "I am tired of losing and sick of losing," stated Geneva County head coach Toby Green in a pre-season interview. "It is nothing to be proud of and we have got to get kids out and win games. We are not going to lower the bar and are not going to settle for winning just two or three games."

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"Geneva County has a very dangerous offensive football team," added Coach Rials, "and it can hurt you both running and passing. They have one of the best young backs in the state in Exley, a quarterback that can hurt you running and passing in Williams, and a big line that can open holes. Geneva County has n't had any problems moving the football and putting points on the scoreboard and I am sure they will be confident they can do the same against my Friday night. We will have to continue to play well and

said both teams struggled out of the gate this season and were left for dead by many area football fans, but obviously nobody talked with the players since both teams saved their best for last. Anyway, the local guesstest hit on 21 of 25 picks last week to run his season totals to 171-40, which is just another in a long line of successful seasons picking the preps.

### ELBA VS. GENEVA COUNTY

The Pea River felines can earn an invitation to the post-season party with a win this week, but will run head first into a gang of hungry Bulldogs from down in Geneva County when they make it to the Hartford city limits Friday night and had better be ready to run for their lives. Guess it's a good thing these felines depend on their speed to carry them past even the hungriest of opponents.

### ELBA 26 GENEVA COUNTY 22

### NEW BROCKTON VS. SAMSON

The Gamecocks put on their spurs last week and carved up on some Bulldogs from down the road and this week will head back to Geneva County for a derby against a den of struggling felines. The Gamecocks know they must win to have a chance to make a post-season appearance and will do their part....

### NEW BROCKTON 34 SAMSON 8

### KINSTON VS. FLORALA

The Bullpups got chased out of Jack last week by some ornery "ole Rebels, but this week will get the chance to stay at home and steal a late-season upset over some "Cats from down near the state line. While the pups won't be favored by anybody that knows football, the scoreboard will read 0-0 when they kick it off, and that means they will at least have a chance. Well, maybe two chances....

### FLORALA 28 KINSTON 7

### ZION CHAPEL VS. MCKENZIE

The Rebels accepted an invitation to the post-season party last week and now must spend some time learning to two-step before hosting a batch of felines from over in Butler County on Friday night. While I have my doubts about the Rebels' dancing skills, their running game is going full-speed and should come in handy as they roll up another big win.

### ZION CHAPEL 33 MCKENZIE 18

### BRANTLEY VS. ARITON

The "Dogs from across the river will hitch hike over to Dale County this week on a "Cat hunt and word is they are planning on bringing home some purple fur. I ain't sure just what kind of animal has purple fur, but if anybody can find it these "Dogs would be my pick. From here it looks like just another Friday night stroll....

### BRANTLEY 34 ARITON 13

### OTHER PICKS:

Goshen 18 Pleasant Home 16  
Red Level 35 Bayside 0  
Cottonwood 27 Houston Academy 24  
Leroy 45 Flomaton 6  
Washington County 29 Georgiana 27  
Highland Home 29 B.B. Comer 6  
Luverne 41 Horseshoe Bend 8  
Houston County 49 Wicksburg 6  
TR. Miller 45 Abbeville 13  
Straughn 27 Dale County 0  
W.S. Neal 26 Headland 12  
Pike County 33 Slocumb 31  
UMS-Wright 38 Andalusia 10  
Ashford 21 Rehoboth 7  
Opp 34 Bullock County 13  
Trinity 35 Daleville 0  
Geneva 17 St. James 15  
Carroll 27 Russell County 22  
Eufaula 17 B.T. Washington 14  
Charles Henderson 28 Greenville 7  
Carver 27 Selma 8  
Dothan 21 Smiths Station 14  
Central 17 Enterprise 13  
Opelika 41 Northview 3

### Against Geneva County

## Playoff berth on the line Friday night for Tigers

The Elba Tigers will be looking to continue their recent winning ways and wrap up a spot in the state football playoffs Friday night when they travel to Hartford to battle the Geneva County Bulldogs.

The Tigers will carry a 3-5 record into the region match-up and will bring a 3-3 region slate after posting three consecutive wins, while the Bulldogs will also enter the game with a 3-5 record and will be determined to knock the Tigers out of the playoff picture.

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might. They have struggled at times on defense and have given up some points, but they are much better defensively than one might think and have the speed to match-up well with us.

If we are going to go down to Hartford and come home with a win it will take our best game of the season on the road and on the ball. On offense we will have to be effective running and passing and not make any mistakes. We will need to move the chains to keep their offense off the field, and put points on the scoreboard when we get the chance. On defense we will have to stop the run first and at the same time be smart and play hard all across the field on every single play. Geneva County loves to play offense and loves to score touchdowns, and they will challenge us for all four quarters Friday night. We will have to continue to play well and

improve if we hope to be able to slow down their high-powered offensive attack."

"It is the end of every team in the state to make the playoffs," said Coach Rials, "and even though a lot of people may have written us off after our 0-5 start we are still very much alive and can make the playoffs with a win Friday night. Our players have worked hard each and every week throughout the season and it is a tribute to them, that we have won three straight games and are now in a position to make the post-season. We have been in a must win situation in every game we have played the last three weeks, and this week it will be the same. Our goal will be to play our best on both sides of the football and we have the confidence that if we do that we will come out on top."

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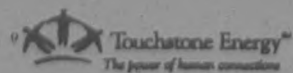
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## Celebrates homecoming

## Zion Chapel clubs Kinston 46-14

Statistics by Chris Winters  
Photos by Chris Winters and Mary Johnson

The Zion Chapel Rebels gave a large homecoming crowd plenty to cheer about and moved within one win of a spot in the state playoffs by caging the Kinston Bulldogs 46-14 Friday night at Zion Chapel's Green Memorial Stadium.

The win improved the Rebels' record to 3-5, 3-3 in region play, while the Bulldogs slipped to 1-7 with the loss, 1-5 in region action.

Zion Chapel failed to move the chains on its first offensive series of the night, but got the ball right back at the Kinston 28-yardline after a bad snap on a punt attempt and this time needed only two plays to get on the scoreboard.

Charlie Hurd gained 16 yards on the first play of the short scoring drive and scored the touchdown on a 12-yard run on the next snap, and even though the extra-point try sailed wide, Zion Chapel was on top 6-0 with 8:10 remaining in the first quarter.

Kinston was down, but not for long, as Garrett Parker fielded the ensuing kickoff at the Kinston 20-yardline and raced 80 yards for a Bulldog touchdown. The extra-point was true and with 7:54 still left in the quarter the cheering was coming from the visitors' bleachers as Kinston was now on top 7-6.

Zion Chapel seemed unimpressed with the sudden Kinston score and on the ensuing possession marched 69 yards in 11 plays to regain the lead. Austin Smith gained 37 yards on 3 carries and recovered a Rebel fumble to spark the long scoring drive, while Charlie Hurd added 30 yards on six carries and scored the touchdown on a 4-yard run. Hurd ran in the two-point conversion and with 2:19 left in the opening quarter Zion Chapel had regained the lead at 14-7.

Kinston's Garrett Parker returned the ensuing kickoff to near midfield and the Bulldogs rode the strong legs of Keith Tew to reach a first down at the Zion Chapel 28-yardline. The scoring threat came to an end one play later on a pass interception by the Rebels' Austin Smith, and Smith returned the interception 39 yards to put the Rebels right back in business at the Kinston 49-yardline.

Charlie Hurd and Brandon Taylor took turns butting heads with the Bulldog defense and combined for 46 yards on seven carries to move the Rebels with in the shadows of the goal post. However, the Rebels saw the scoring opportunity slip away as on first down from the three-yardline Hurd was stripped of the football and Kinston's Keith Tew recovered the fumble to turn back the scoring threat.

The Rebels got the ball back only one play later when Charlie Hurd recovered a Bulldog fumble at the Kinston 9-yardline, and on the next snap the Rebels added to their lead when Austin Smith kept on an option and raced 9 yards for the score. Abe Childs booted the extra-point and with 5:29 remaining in the half Zion Chapel had moved

ahead 21-7.

Zion Chapel began its next offensive series at its own 19-yardline following a Kinston punt and took command of the game by driving 81 yards in seven plays to get back into the endzone. A 26-yard halfback pass from Brandon Taylor to Jamie Wise was a key play in the scoring drive, while the touchdown came on a 24-yard pass from Austin Smith to Abe Childs. A bad snap foiled the extra-point try, but with :16 remaining in the second quarter the Rebels had taken command by opening up a 27-7 advantage over their cross-county rivals.

Zion Chapel kicked off to open the second half, but regained possession at its own 33-yardline after a fourth-down Kinston pass fell incomplete, and the Rebels picked up right where they had left off in the first half by marching 67 yards in 10 plays to add to their lead.

Charlie Hurd was the work horse of the long scoring march as he gained 20 yards on five carries, while Austin Smith added 38 yards on four carries and scored the touchdown on a 2-yard sneak. Abe Childs kicked the extra-point and with 4:40 remaining in the third quarter the Rebels were on their way with a big 34-7 advantage.

The two region rivals swapped turnovers on the game's next two possessions as Zion Chapel's Joey Jones recovered a Kinston fumble at the Kinston 31-yardline and the Bulldogs' Billy Johnson recovered a Rebel fumble to stop a scoring threat at the Kinston 8-yardline.

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Kinston began its ensuing possession at its own 37-yardline and drove 63 yards in seven plays to score its second touchdown of the night. Garrett Parker gained 48 yards on five carries to lead the Bulldogs down the field, while the touchdown came when Parker hooked up with Cole Meeks on a 20-yard pass. Brad Elmore kicked the extra-point and with 5:05 remaining on the clock Zion Chapel's lead stood at 40-14.

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## STATISTICS

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| 18     | 1st Downs      | 6      |
| 53-378 | Rushes-Yds.    | 28-103 |
| 50     | Passing Yds.   | 36     |
| 428    | Total Offense  | 139    |
| 2-6-0  | Passes         | 4-11-2 |
| 3/2    | Fumbles/Lost   | 3/2    |
| 4-30   | Penalties-Yds. | 4-20   |

## Brantley-Ariton clash highlights week #9 action for area teams

The high school football season will enter its ninth week of action this Friday night when teams all across the state close out region play against region rivals in games that were postponed from the fourth week of the season due to the impact of Hurricane Ivan.

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(1-7) MCKENZIE AT (3-5) ZION CHAPEL

The Zion Chapel Rebels clinched a playoff berth last week with a big win over county rival Kinston and this week will be looking to improve their region record to 4-3 when they host the McKenzie Tigers. The Rebels have traveled by ground in recent weeks and last week rode the legs of Charlie Hurd and Austin Smith to a must win that gave them the #4 spot in the region and a berth in the upcoming state playoffs. McKenzie lost all ten of its games last season and will bring a seven-game losing streak to town Friday night in its match-up with the Rebels. The Tigers opened the season with a 14-8 win over Flomaton, but have failed to win a game since, and in the past two



ZION CHAPEL HOMECOMING COURT...reigned over the day's activities Friday and Friday night at the Zion Chapel-Kinston football game. Nessa Wambles was crowned as the 2004 Homecoming Queen, while her attendants included senior Nicole Brown, senior Mandy Hardin, junior Rosanna Johnson, sophomore Jessica Powell and freshman Torie Hodge.



A Zion Chapel running back holds onto the football as he runs through a would be Kinston defender in last week's 46-14 homecoming win. The Rebels clinched a spot in the Class 1A playoffs with the region win and this week will host McKenzie.

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Zion Chapel's Jamie Wise (10) waits for the snap of the ball as he guards a Kinston receiver. The Rebels upped their region record at 3-3 Friday night with a 46-14 win over the Bulldogs and will be looking to end region play 4-3 this week when they host the McKenzie Tigers.

## SPORTS

## Has happy homecoming

## Brantley blanks McKenzie 46-0

By Greg Brunson  
Photos by Janet Brunson

The Brantley Bulldogs ran their record to 8-0 Friday night with an impressive 46-0 drubbing of the McKenzie Tigers in front of a large homecoming crowd at Brantley.

The Bulldog offense had three runners gain over 100 yards in the easy region win, while on defense the Bulldogs recorded 17 plays for losses to dominate the Tigers.

Brantley needed only three plays to get on the scoreboard on its first possession of the night as the Bulldogs covered 68 yards into the endzone. Devaris Skanes took a toss and went 31 yards for the game's first touchdown, and Marcus Owens kicked the extra-point as Brantley moved ahead 7-0 with 7:02 remaining in the first quarter.

The two region rivals swapped interceptions on the game's next offensive possessions as Sattrick Rudolph

picked off a pass for the Tigers and Chris Booker claimed an interception for the Bulldogs.

After the exchange of possessions Booker broke loose on a 79-yard touchdown gallop to put the Bulldogs back in the endzone, and Marcus Owens booted the extra-point to give Brantley a 14-0 lead with 2:45 remaining in the first quarter.

The next Brantley score came after an 8-yard punt set the Bulldogs up at the McKenzie 38-yardline. It took Brantley three plays to cover the distance, with the touchdown coming on a 31-yard scamper by Devaris Skanes. The extra-point try failed, but with 9:49 left in the second quarter the Bulldogs were in command with a 20-0 advantage.

On its next possession the Bulldogs again drove 38 yards for a touchdown, with this drive taking five plays. Edgar Walker passed to a wide open Chris Booker in the corner of the endzone with an 18-yard scoring strike, and Marcus Owens boot-

ed the extra-point as Brantley upped its lead to 27-0 with 6:03 left in the half.

As the second half got underway it was the Brantley defense that set up the Bulldogs next two scores with turnovers.

Marcus Owens recovered a McKenzie fumble at the Brantley 13-yardline to stop the Tigers only scoring threat of the night, and the Bulldogs responded by marching 87 yards in 8 plays to get back in the endzone. Josh Burnett capped the long scoring march with a 3-yard touchdown run up the middle, and Owens kicked the extra-point to up the Brantley lead to 34-0 with 7:51 remaining in the third quarter.

Brantley's Lance Myers intercepted a Sattrick Rudolph pass moments later to put the Bulldogs back in business at the McKenzie 17-yardline, and from there Terrell Burnett got the call on three straight plays and moved the ball to the McKenzie 5-yardline. Jonathan Helms passed to Dexter Daniels for the touchdown and with 4:01 remaining in the third quarter the Bulldogs' lead had ballooned to 40-0.

Terrell Burnett scored the final points of the night on a 59-yard dash around the right end with 1:27 left in the third quarter, and the fans got the chance to head to the dance early as the Bulldogs coasted in with the 46-0 win.

The Brantley defense turned in a dominating performance as Corey Lathan, Scotty Abadilla, Jeremy Dorsey and Marcus Owens all had big nights.

Devaris Skanes led all rushers with 141 yards on 8 carries, while Chris Booker added 120 yards on 6 carries and Terrell Burnett gained 113 yards on 9 tosses.

## STATISTICS

| B      |                | M       |
|--------|----------------|---------|
| 13     | 1st Downs      | 4       |
| 29-383 | Rushes-Yds.    | 31-6-19 |
| 68     | Passing Yds.   | 94      |
| 451    | Total Offense  | 25      |
| 4-11-2 | Passes         | 8-20-2  |
| 51     | Return Yds.    | 86      |
| 0      | Fumbles/Lost   | 1       |
| 3-35   | Penalties-Yds. | 3-15    |
| 1-31   | Punts-Ave.     | 7-32    |

OFF AND RUNNING... is Brantley Bulldogs running back Terrell Burnett (22) in last week's 46-0 win over McKenzie. Burnett, a freshman, gained 113 yards on 9 carries as three Brantley backs reached the century mark in yards gained over the Tigers.



BRANTLEY HOMECOMING QUEEN KAYLA KERVIN... and her court ruled over the day's activities Friday as Brantley High School celebrated Homecoming 2004. Pictured above are (l-r) Football Sweetheart Amber Dates, Shakelia Salter - Freshman Attendant, Cynthia Green - Junior Attendant, Queen Kayla Kervin, Destiny Kilcrease - Senior Attendant, Cersia Mitchell - Sophomore Attendant and Football Sweetheart Jill Smith.

## REGION RACES ...

## CLASS 2A, REGION 2 ...

| Teams           | Record | Region Record | Region games left |
|-----------------|--------|---------------|-------------------|
| Cottonwood      | (6-2)  | 5-1           | Houston Academy   |
| Houston Academy | (5-3)  | 5-1           | Cottonwood        |
| Houston County  | (6-2)  | 4-2           | Wicksburg         |
| Geneva County   | (3-5)  | 3-3           | Elba              |
| Elba            | (3-5)  | 3-3           | Geneva County     |
| New Brockton    | (5-3)  | 3-3           | Samson            |
| Wicksburg       | (1-7)  | 1-5           | Houston County    |
| Samson          | (2-6)  | 0-6           | New Brockton      |

Note: Winner of Cottonwood-Houston Academy game will be region champion, while an Elba win will make the Tigers the #4 seed in the playoffs. An Elba loss would give New Brockton the final playoff berth as the #4 seed.



New Brockton's Tanner Medley (30) cuts inside the block of teammate Adam Crosby (78) and finds plenty of room to run in last week's big 34-14 region win over Geneva County. The Gamecocks will travel to Samson this week looking to up their record to 6-3 on the season and keep their playoff hopes alive.

## In key region contest

## Gamecocks rip Geneva County 34-14

Story and photos by Robby Kinsaul

The New Brockton Gamecocks snapped their two-game losing streak and kept their playoff hopes alive Friday night by defeating the Geneva County Bulldogs 34-14, in Hartford.

Sophomore running back Sheridan Foster had his best game of the season as he gained 262 yards on 22 carries and scored 1 touchdown, while Junior Magwood added 71 yards on 7 carries and also scored 1 touchdown and Justin West gained 51 yards on 11 carries and scored 2 touchdowns. Tanner Medley was a tackling machine for the Gamecocks as he recorded 21 tackles and had 2 quarterback sacks, while Justin Allums had 6 stops and Justin West had 5 tackles.

Geneva County got on the scoreboard first when the Bulldogs marched 68 yards in only four plays. Jeremy Williams scored on a 38-yard scamper and the extra-point was true as the Bulldogs jumped on top 7-0 with 10:02 remaining in the first quarter.

New Brockton bounced right back and answered the early score as the Gamecocks went 64 yards in 10 plays. Justin West scored on a 7-yard run and Heath Danford booted the extra-point as New Brockton pulled even at 7-7 with 4:25 left in the opening quarter.

The Gamecocks regained possession at the Geneva County 43-yardline after a pass interception by Derrick Cook, and six plays later Sheridan Foster scored on a 7-yard dash around the right end on the first play of the second quarter. Danford booted the extra-point and with 11:55 remaining in the half the Gamecocks were on top 14-7.

New Brockton's defense came up with a big stop on



New Brockton's Allen Herrington (50) opens a hole for a Gamecock runner in last week's 34-14 win over Geneva County.

Geneva County's next possession when a big hit by Tanner Medley on fourth down and seven gave the ball back to the Gamecocks at their own 38-yardline. The Gamecocks covered the 62 yards to the endzone in eight plays to extend their advantage, with Tanner Medley scoring the touchdown on a 7-yard blast up the middle. Danford added the extra-point and with 5:02 remaining in the second quarter New Brockton was in command with a 21-7 lead.

The Gamecocks had a chance to blow the game open in the half and reached the Geneva County 5-yardline, but ran out of time and at intermission New Brockton owned a 21-7 lead.

New Brockton began the second half with a bang as Sheridan Foster broke loose on a 57-yard gain that set the Gamecocks up at the Geneva County 3-yardline. Justin West scored on the

next play on a 3-yard run, and even though the extra-point was blocked, New Brockton owned a 27-7 lead with 7:26 remaining in the third quarter.

New Brockton had a chance to add to its lead on its next possession and began the drive at the Geneva County 25-yardline following a short punt, but fumbled away the scoring opportunity at the 3-yardline.

The Gamecocks scored again late in the game on a 1-yard run by Junior Magwood, and Heath Danford tucked on the extra-point as New Brockton led the way by moving ahead 34-7 with only 3:33 left on the clock.

Geneva County added a meaningless touchdown with 20-seconds left in the game on a 3-yard run by Brian Sullens, and at the final horn the Gamecocks left the field with the impressive 34-14 region win.

No charge for classes

## Hunter Education courses set for LBW

The Alabama Hunter Education Course will be offered by the Alabama Conservation Department's Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division on the MacArthur Campus of the LBW Community College November 8, 9, 10, and 11. The course will be held in the Conference Center Building from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. each night. This will be a four-day course.

In 1991, the Alabama Legislature passed legislation that requires all first time hunting license buyers born on or after August 1, 1977 to complete a hunter education course prior to purchasing their first hunting license. Alabama is one of 49 states that has a mandatory hunter education program. The goal of the Hunter Education Program is to make Alabama hunters more responsible and more knowledgeable about

wildlife conservation. The Hunter Education Course is minimum of 10 hours of instruction plus a written examination. Students will be given a written exam to be tested for certification on the last night of class. The course includes but is not limited to firearm safety and handling, responsible hunting and hunter ethics, wildlife law, wildlife management and identification, archery, muzzleloading, first aid, survival, and game care.

There is no charge to attend this course. There is no charge for the certification exam. Participants must be age 10 years old or older to attend the class and receive certification. Participants will need to bring their social security card with them on the first night of class. For more information contact the Adult Education and Skills Training Division on the MacArthur Campus of LBW Community College at (334) 493-3573, ext. 5344 or 5360.

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## SPORTS

## At volleyball tournament

## Elba Tigers bring home area championship



Elba's Yolanda Reynolds taps a ball back over the net during a recent Tiger win. The Tigers won the Class 2A, Area 3 volleyball championship last week with three straight wins.

(Photo by John Wallace, Andalusia Star/News)



Elba's Lyndsay Lawford and Kendall Stinson await a serve in a recent Tiger win. The Tigers closed out the season with a 16-12 record after a fifth place finish at the Regional Tournament.

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The Elba Tigers competed in the Class 2A, Area 3 Volleyball Tournament last Monday afternoon at the Samson High School gym and rolled to three straight wins to bring home the area championship.

"This was a great feeling for the team to win the area tournament for the second straight year," said Elba's Coach Amelia Rhoades. "The Tigers were ready for the Samson Tigers when we hit the court and I was really pleased with the consistency the team showed throughout the tournament. We had a great regular season and the players have truly stepped up their skill level the latter part of the year."

Elba opened the day's action against New Brockton and cruised to a 25-8, 25-10 win over the Gamecocks. Yolanda Reynolds recorded a total of 23 service points in the win, including 13 straight serves in the opening game of the match, while Lyndsay Lawford had 10 kills and 2 digs, Melanie Mularz had 6 service aces, Mallory Allen had 11 assists, Kristen Barnes had 2 digs and Whitney Lawford had 1 block.

Elba dropped the first game of the next match to Samson 20-25, but bounced back to win the next two games 25-14 and 25-17 to move into the finals. Melanie Mularz had 9 kills and 6 service aces to lead Elba, while Kendall Stinson added 18 service points, 6 consecutive serves and 8 assists. Mallory Allen had 8 assists, Kristen Barnes had 3 digs and Whitney Lawford had 1 block.

Elba dominated play at the net in the finals and recorded 14 kills to claim the tournament championship by rolling past Samson 25-17 and 25-17. Whitney Lawford and Lyndsay Lawford both registered 2 kills in the game one win, while in game two Melanie Mularz had 5 kills in Elba's first 13 points to spark the Tigers to the win.

"Melanie comes to practice and works hard every day," said Coach Rhoades, "and she got her chance today and made the most of it. She may be only a sophomore, but she stepped it up today and played the game like an older player."

Melanie Mularz had 6 kills to end the day with 14 kills in Elba's three wins, while Whitney Lawford added 15 service points, 6 service aces and had 6 straight serves. Lyndsay Lawford had 6 kills, Mallory Allen had 11 assists, Kristen Barnes had 3 digs and Yolanda Terry had 1 block.

## Bradberry wins in SAS racing

By Mark Chisum

Charlie Bradberry took the lead on a lap 72 restart and then held off a late race charge from Ryan Crane to win the 100-lap Super Late Model Feature at South Alabama Speedway. Dale Little took the early lead from the pole position and led the first eleven laps before Jason Hogan got inside of Little to grab the lead. Hogan, who won the last Late Model race at South Alabama, appeared early to have a car to repeat. That soon changed as Crane charged into the lead on lap 30.

Crane pulled away from Hogan with cautions bunching the field on two occasions between laps 30 and 40. Just past the halfway point, Hogan began to slide back through the field. Little moved back into second with a fast Ronnie Sanders and Wayne Niedecken Jr. right behind. Sanders and Niedecken ran Crane down, with Sanders taking the lead just two laps before the caution flew on lap 67.

Bradberry's crew got him out first and he pulled to Sanders' bumper for the restart. Sanders led Bradberry into turn one on the restart, but slid up the track, allowing Bradberry to get underneath to take the lead. Sanders was able to keep Bradberry in sight but it was Crane who was making a charge and would challenge Bradberry. With ten laps to go, Crane got by Sanders for second.

Crane began to work on Bradberry's rear bumper, trying to loosen him up enough to get the inside line. Finally with two laps to go, Crane was able to stick a nose under Bradberry as they entered turn three. Crane's Monte Carlo was carrying too much speed however and slid up the track into Bradberry. Bradberry was able to maintain control of his car while Crane fought to regain control of his. Both Niedecken and Sanders were able to slip past Crane. Bradberry sped to the checkers with Niedecken second.

In local action, 2002 Super Stock Champion Bill Brown picked up his first win of 2004. Brown hasn't raced much in 2004 while building a new car. He's taken the new ride to a better finish each week, culminating with this week's win. Ricky Whitehead led the first two laps before Jamie Ater took over. Brown moved inside of Ater on lap six and the two battled side by side for two laps before Brown took control. Brown led Anderson, Heath Mills, Ater, and Greg Adams across the line.

In an exciting Vintage Feature, Steve Stewart took the win after Chris Bayhi began to experience engine problems.

Will Mack took the lead on lap 14 and sped away to win the



FORMER ELBA TIGER COACH MACK WOOD autographs a football for a Tiger fan during last week's reception held prior to the ceremony naming the field at Tiger Stadium "Mack Wood Field." Over 200 friends, former players, teachers and well wishers greeted Coach Wood at the reception, held at the Elba Home Ec room.

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## SPORTS

## Elba 8th grade Tigers open basketball season with wins over Arifton and Opp

The Elba Junior High Tigers tipped off the basketball season last week with home games against Arifton and Opp and posted wins both games to end the week with a perfect 2-0 record.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

ELBA 51  
ARITON 22

The Elba Tigers outscored Arifton in all four quarters to defeat the Purple Cats 51-22 in Elba. The Tigers held a slim 10-6 lead after the first quarter, but began to pull away in the second quarter and by the end of the third quarter were in complete

command with a 35-18 advantage and rolled to the big win.

Trey Belcher scored 11 points to lead Elba, while Gavin Respress and Justin McLaughlin both added 6. Deal led Arifton with 10 points.

Elba (51): Respress 6, Mitchell 4, McBride 2, Hall 4, Tillis 6, Phillips 3, Belcher 11, Dorsey 4, Stoudemire 4, Jackson 3, McLaughlin 6, Arifton (22): Deal 10, Stevens 6, Harden 2, Baxter 2, Usery 2.

ELBA 41  
OPP 22

The Elba Tigers jumped out to a big early lead and coasted in with a 41-22 win over the

Opp Bobcats, in Elba. The Tigers jumped out to a 14-1 lead in the first quarter and owned a 26-5 halftime advantage before letting the reserves mop up the easy win.

Johnny Stoudemire scored 11 points to lead Elba, while Keenan Phillips and Cameron Hall both added 6 points.

Elba (41): Respress 3, Mitchell 2, McBride 2, Dorsey 4, Stoudemire 11, Phillips 6, Belcher 4, Hall 6, Tillis 2, Head 1.

Opp (22): Wade 2, Spears 4, Barefoot 5, Yeoman 3, Anderson 2, Billings 6.



Elba's Megan Anderson (30) closes in to help a teammate fight for a loose ball. The Elba girls opened the season last week with one win and one loss.

## Elba Junior High girls open basketball season with one win and one loss

The Elba Tigers opened their basketball season last week and posted one win and one loss to end the week with a 1-1 record.

Following are highlights of both games:

ARITON 29  
ELBA 15

The Elba Tigers fell behind early and never recovered in a 29-15 loss to Arifton. The Tigers

scored only 3 points in the opening half and trailed 8-3 at halftime, and never recovered as the Purple Cats pulled away for the win.

Megan Anderson scored 6 points to lead Elba, while Shamika Pruitt added 5. Cierra McClendon scored 13 points to lead Arifton.

Arifton (29): Prestwood 3, Peters 4, Hill 4, McClendon 13.

Watson 2, Wolfe 2, Berry 1, Elba (15): Anderson 6, Caldwell 2, Cross 2, Pruitt 5.

ELBA 20  
OPP 13

The Elba Tigers rallied in the second half to claim a wild 20-13 win over the Opp Bobcats. The Tigers trailed 7-4 at the half, but exploded for 15 points in the third quarter to take a 19-10 advantage and held on to claim their first win of the young season.

Brandy Caldwell scored 9 points to lead Elba, while Ashley Bailey added 4.

Elba (20): Head 3, Pruitt 2, Caldwell 9, Carnley 2, Bailey 4.

Opp (13): Hightower 1, Rogers 3, Drew 2, Harrison 5, Foster 2.



Elba Junior High basketball coach Brian Weeks talks with his players during a time out in opening week action. The Tigers posted wins over Arifton and Opp last week to close out the first week of the season with a 2-0 record.

## Elba 7th grade Tigers open with win over Opp

The Elba 7th Grade Tigers opened their basketball season last week and rolled to a 48-33 win over the Opp Bobcats, in Elba.

The Tigers owned a slim 8-7 lead after the first quarter, but poured in 16 second quarter points to take a big 24-15 lead at the half and then put the game away in the third quarter as they opened up a 38-20 advantage.

Justin McLaughlin scored 20 points to lead Elba, while Kareem Silar added 12. Gavin Free scored 13 points to lead Opp.

Elba (48): Silar 12, Reynolds 6, Gray 6, McLaughlin 20, Cole 2, Curran 2.

Opp (33): Free 13, Wood 2, Wilson 8, Jones 2, Banks 2, Wade 2, Thompson 2.

## Bowling tourney set for lanes at Fort Rucker

The Wiregrass Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC) will be conducting a bowling tournament to raise money for their scholarship fund. This event will be held at the Fort Rucker Bowling Lanes on Nov. 3, 2004, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Various prizes will be awarded. The event is open to the public.

Cost is \$10.00 per person which will include one game and shoe rental. Registration of four-person teams is required by October 27th. More information is available by calling 347-5614 or 393-9207.

**Let's Go...  
Outdoors with Ben**  
by Ben Norman, Sports Columnist



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Trailering a large bass boat on a long trip can tax one's patience. But these long trips we go on, either for business or pleasure often takes us to some of the best hunting and fishing places in the country. Often we may have to attend a business meeting near the ocean or lake, but just don't want to bother with finding a place to park the boat or trailer it around through traffic.

There are several small, car topable boats that, when properly tied down, are not much trouble to carry with you anywhere you can go on a vehicle. For years the pirogue could only be found in the Louisiana swamps, but that has changed. One pirogue builder, recently told me he is shipping his little Cajun Canoes all over the country to people who don't want to pull a trailer around on a trip. He says many bass fishermen are lashing them to their big boat and using them to access shallow waters that the big bass boat can't negotiate. When they are finished fishing, they pull the pirogue back into the big boat and go look for more skinny water to fish.

Canoes have always been popular with traveling outdoor enthusiasts. Modern canoes in aluminum, fiberglass and Royalex are can be found in the 50 to 80 pound range, light enough for many people to load and unload by themselves. When selecting a canoe for hunting and fishing on lakes or slow moving rivers, a flat bottom or one with a shallow arch will give sportsmen more stability. Pick one that has a mid depth of at least 13 inches. Canoes will carry two or three people and still only draw 4 to 6 inches of water. Even double ended canoes can be equipped with a small gas motor or electric trolling motor by using a clamp on side mount. Square stern models are also available and accept outboards better than the double end models.

Light weight Jon boats in the 12 to 14 foot range can be carried on top of a vehicle and afford more stability than a pirogue or canoe. The Jon boat is also excellent for duck hunting and for float square hunting trips. A light Jon boat performs well with small gasoline outboards and electric motors. One can get several hours of boating out of a good electric motor and may not need a gas outboard unless one plans to travel a considerable distance.

V bottom aluminum utilities weigh more than most Jon boats but can be car topped also. The V bottom will perform better in open water where the water tends to get a bit choppy at times. While they ride better, they require slightly deeper water than the flat bottom boats.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS



SPECTATORS DEFINITELY HAD A VARIETY to inspect at last Saturday, Oct. 23, during the Elba Fly-In as aviation enthusiasts showed their "hoes" with anyone and everyone who showed some curiosity. Many pilots simply parked their plane on the grass next to the "hoses" for everyone to see while others took to the airways.



James Ross Poole, center, shared his plane with others during the fly-in. Poole was the first to take a flight around town. Those with him include Troy Gideon, Brannan Sanders, Trenton Gideon, Zak King and T.J. Gideon.



Ultralights gained lots of attention during the fly-in as many spectators were amazed at how little aircraft could fly. This pilot gets ready to take the spectators with his ultralight, which he had brought in for take off.

## CCC

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thanks to the people of Coffee County.

"I have enjoyed serving," she said. "I hope the best in the future for the commission."

In other business, commissioners

Awarded the bid for a land-

fill crawler dozer to Thompson Tractor Company. The low bidder did not meet specifications for this item; therefore, the bid went to Thompson Tractor at \$490,922.

Due to next week's election, the next meeting of the Coffee County Commission will be Tuesday, Nov. 9, at 9 a.m. in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

## DRUGS

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Arthur Lee Harris, age 43, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

On Saturday, Oct. 23, officers also executed a search warrant at 1248 Jones Circle in Elba. Whitworth said this led to the arrest of Michael Todd Huggins. Huggins was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a con-

trolled substance, possession of marijuana and manufacturing.

Whitworth said the illegal use of drugs continues to be a problem and is growing more evident, everyday with the above mentioned arrests being part of 31 arrests made recently from the execution of five search warrants.

## BOMB

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analysis. The illegal manufacture, distribution and possession of methamphetamine continues to be a major problem in Coffee County as well as surrounding Wiregrass counties," Moates said. "Not only is the environment where methamphetamine is 'cooked' a hazard to enforcement officers, but the finding of these pipe bombs is evidence of the hazards facing the enforcement officers each time they go into the areas where the methamphetamine is made and used."

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# SCHOOLS

## Student Hi-Lite

by Shontara King



This month's student highlight is **Laken Dean**. She was chosen by Leann Tew, a teacher at Brantley.

Lakeff is a senior, and she is vice president of the National Honor Society, a varsity cheerleader and a varsity softball player. Also, she is a member of the Future Farmers of America, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Key Club, Newspaper Staff and Yearbook Staff.

After high school, she plans to attend LBWCC for two years and then transfer to Auburn University to pursue a career as a dental hygienist.

Thanks for the hard work and dedication, Laken. Keep up the good work!

## Student council officers attend conference

by Rashad Daniels

The student council officers went to a leadership conference on Friday, Oct. 15, at LBWCC.

The officers are Rashad Daniels, president; Tyler Weaver, vice-president; Brittany Ballard, secretary; Shane Haws, treasurer; and Virginia Compton, sponsor. By participating in many activities, the group learned how to become better leaders for the school. They heard a speaker, Robert Prescott, who is a graduate of Brantley High School. They also participated in hands-on and thinking activities about leadership. Everyone had fun and learned a lot.

## "Slave Day" helps senior class raise money for float

by Brittany Walker

On Sept. 28, the senior class held its annual "Slave Day."

The class raised money that will be used to pay for the senior class Homecoming float.

The bidding began and soon the "owners" claimed their "slaves." On the designated "Slave Day," the "slaves" had to do anything the "owners" requested, within reason. Some examples were dressing up really crazy, wearing their hair in "strange" ways, carrying the owner's books to every class, buying the "owners" breakfast, picking them up for school, singing in front of everyone at lunch and break, dancing the

## Junior varsity cheerleaders participated in UCA Camp during Summer

by Joyce Johnson

Junior Varsity Cheerleaders had a local UCA Camp this summer where they learned many new cheers and dances.

Cheerleaders are Amy Wicker, captain; Megan Holmes, co-captain; Chastity Booker, Angel Hall, Sammaria McClain, Brittany Reeves, Nicki Bailey, and Amber Hall.

Amy Wicker, Megan Holmes and Chastity Booker won All-Star honors.



Junior Varsity football team and cheerleaders



Brantley School News

## FCA holds second meeting of year

by Shane Haws

The Brantley chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes held its second meeting of the year on Thursday, Oct. 14. Several youth and adult FCA members came out to Word of Faith Church in Brantley to attend the meeting.

Rashad Daniels, a youth hide-the-captain, opened the meeting with prayer. Teenagers from Word of Faith led the congregation with a song entitled, "Open the Eyes of My Heart."

## Band members attend summer band camp at Auburn

by Shane Haws

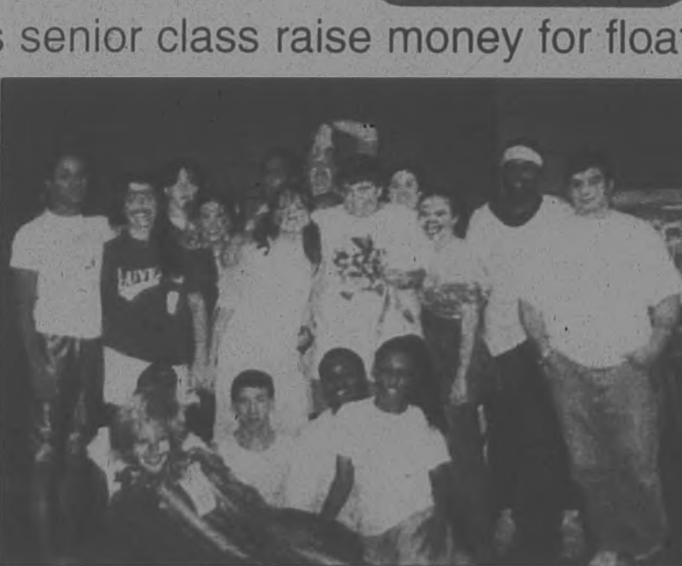
Brantley's very own Becky Lester and Kristen Kilcrease attended Auburn University's Summer Band Festival from July 16-19. Their camp director was Carla Gallahan, and their conductor was Dr. Chris Walker, both faculty members at Auburn.

One of the first things the girls had to do was audition for chair placement in the band. Throughout the week, they attended full ensemble rehearsals, section rehearsals and instrument master classes.

They also enjoyed numerous social activities such as a pizza party, shopping and a tour of Auburn's campus.

Becky and Kristen were roommates and had to share a bathroom with two girls from Homewood, Ala. They also met many other friendly and nice people.

The girls ended the week with a finale concert. The selections they performed were "I'm a Believer," "America the Beautiful," "Commando," and "Aladdin." The clarinet section also performed a recital of "Colors of the Wind."



A few of the senior slaves

"Hokie Pokie" and much more! Everyone had a blast, and the

seniors will certainly never forget the day!

## Senior class raise money for float

by Joyce Johnson

The squad cheered at all junior varsity football games and at each pep rally. They are looking forward to cheering for junior

high and B-Team basketball.

Taronda Randall is the junior varsity Bulldog mascot and Virginia Compton is the sponsor.

## Junior varsity football team completes season

by Jeremy Dorsey

The Junior Varsity Football team ended its season recently. The team's record was two wins and three losses.

With wins over Luverne and Goshen, these boys showed dedi-

cation and hard work. The coaches also showed much patience.

The coaches are: head coach David Lowery, Ashley Kilcrease, Andrew Kilcrease and Kris Odum.

Congratulations to the team and coaches.

## 2004 Homecoming Queen and Court chosen

by Emily Cain

Homecoming this year at Brantley High School was Friday, Oct. 22. The 2004 Homecoming Court was: Queen, Kayla Kervin; Senior Attendant, Destin Kilcrease; Junior Attendant, Cynthia Green; Sophomore Attendant, Crestia Mitchell; and Freshman Attendant, Shakelia Salter. The football team selected two sweethearts: Seniors, Amber Dates and Jill Smith.

Throughout the day, many events took place to honor the returning BHS Class of 1995. A pep rally took place at 9:30 a.m. to pump up the Bulldogs. At 12:30 p.m., an assembly took place which featured the presentation of the queen and her court. For the crowd's entertainment, several students participated in skits and dances.

A parade followed shortly after through downtown Brantley. The day ended with Brantley vs. Mckenzie football game and the crowning of the queen at halftime.



2004 Homecoming Queen and Court...bottom, left to right - Seniors Amber Dates and Jill Smith, football sweethearts; (top, left to right) - Crestia Mitchell, sophomore attendant; Destin Kilcrease, senior attendant; Kayla Kervin, Homecoming Queen; Cynthia Green, junior attendant; and Shakelia Salter, freshman attendant.

## New teacher joins "Bulldog Family"

by Amber Dates

This year, Mr. Christopher Heath Watkins has joined the "Bulldog Family."

The man, more commonly known as Mr. Heath, moved from around the northwest part of Florida to be closer to his home, ironically, in Heath, Ala.

Mr. Heath transferred from Ecard Wilderness Youth Alternative Camp where he was a counselor for two years and a teacher for approximately four years. Looking back on the last few years, Brantley has been through many science teachers, but with Mr. Heath's love to teach and desire to be closer to



Christopher Heath Watkins home, Brantley has a teacher here to stay.

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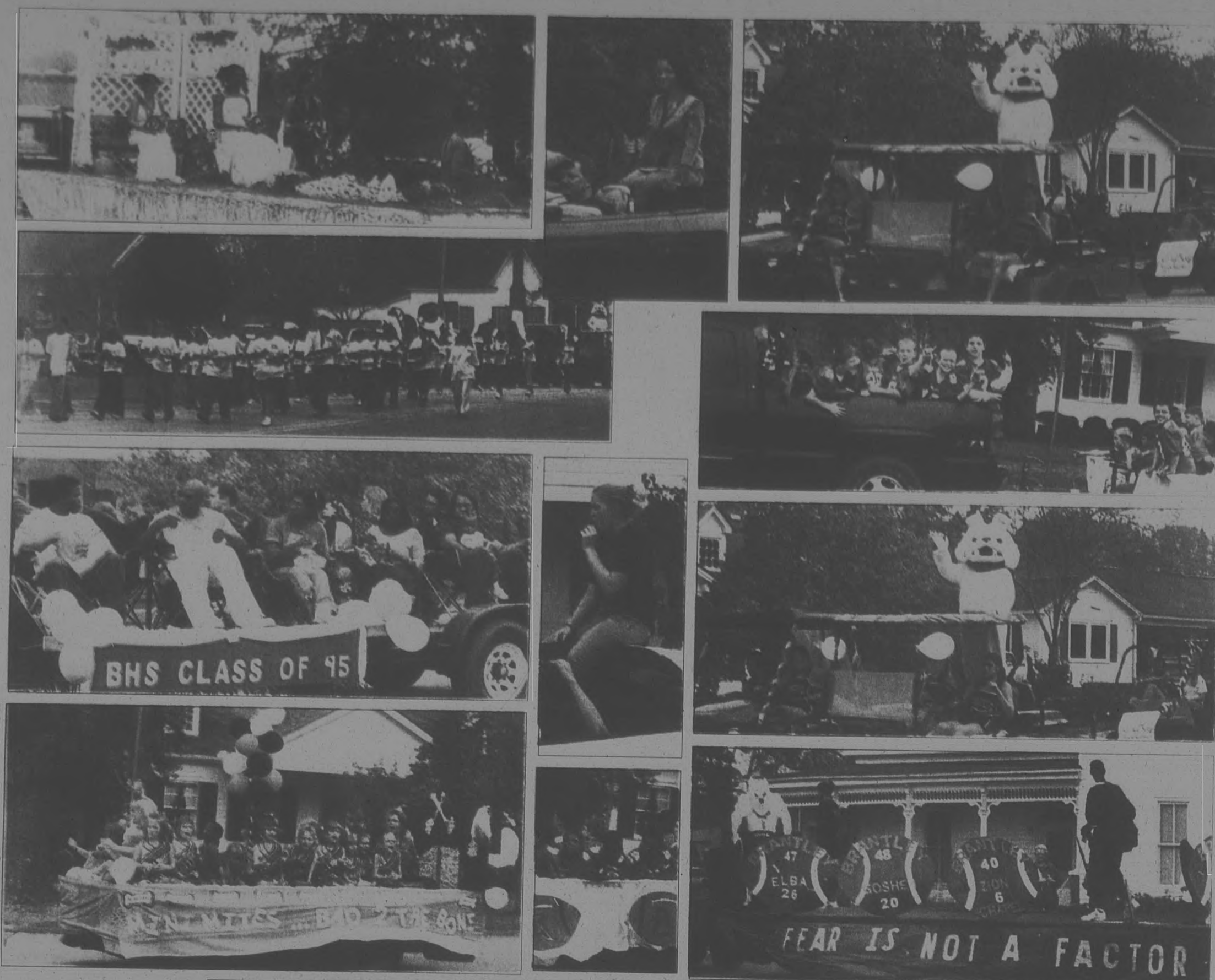
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